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# Nott axes warships, 19,500 men and Chatham dockyard

The closure of Chatham Dockyard, manpower cuts of up to 19,500 in the Services, and the disposal of 10 Royal Navy warclass of aircraft carriers, were smong changes announced for Britain's defences by Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, in the Commons yes-

Those were among the more striking results of the much heralded and long awaited defence review whose overall economies were much less savage than many observers had

But Mr Nott refused to out a price on the Government's de-fence programme for the next decade, apart from saying that the budget will increase by 3 per cent a year in real terms until 1985 in fulfilment of Eritain's pledge to Nato.

At a press conference he

duclined to describe, even in the most general terms, any likely reductions in spending. "We would be daft to do it. I do not believe in that kind of open government", he said.

Mr Nott said he had achieved his aim of carving funds from the budget to create a contin-gency fund as a hedge against future inflation in defence costs. It was much smaller than he wanted, but he would not put a figure on it.

There will be a full debate on the cuts in the Commons on

The NATO allies were re-as used and delighted by the sustained commitment to 3 per-cent growth until 1985-86. Alarmist press reports had chabled him to assuage the fears of our American and West German partners, Conservative backbenchers, and the Royal Navy, he added.

The changes which were heard in relative silence by a crowded Commons include the second big reorganization in live years of the British Army the Rhine (BAOR), where the number of troops is being reduced by about two thousand. More than half the reduction will come from the withdrawal of one of the four divisional headquarters and the telescoping once more of the Rhine Army into three divisions.

But the three divisions in future will have three brigades cach, instead of two apiece, although one brigade will be based in Britain.

There will also be a vew rereinforce BAOR in a crisis. Improvements to Britain's reserve 16,000 men for the Territorial

The regular Army will be gradually reduced by 7,000 men over the next five years to a strength of 135,000 trained personnel Other manpower reductions include 2,500 for the RAF and between

announced by the Government yesterday. But seven of its 40

during question time in the Commons, the Prime Minister said it was thought better that

some 33 language services were heard properly than that 40 were heard inadequately.

Also to go will be the BBC's transcription services. The BBC

transcription services. The BBC said last night the cuts were savage and it would do its best

to persuade the Government to

The new programme envis-

ages relay stations fed by satel-line by 1985, eight modern short-wave transmitters opera-

Substantial plant replacement

and a thorough modernization of Bush House, headquarters of

Mrs Thatcher was answering

Mr Geoffrey Rippon, Conserva-

change its mind.

In reference to the changes policy.

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although not as badly at first sight anyway, as many feared.

The Government's decision to procure the Trident nuclear missile to succeed Polaris as the 1990s remains unaltered. So does the present warship build-ing programme for 20 vessels valued, with their weapons, at about £2,000m.

But nine of the 59 frigates and destroyers now committed to Nato are to be disposed of, mainly from the County, Leander, and Rothesay classes.
That is being done partly toreduce the heavy costs of refitting and maintenance. To refit-

ting and maintenance. To refit a Leander frigate costs £70m, Mr Nort said, which is more than the price of the new cheap Type-23 frigates being planned for the navy.

The three Royal Marine commando units will remain, but their amphibious assault ships, Fearless and Intrepid, will be phased out of service more quickly than planned.

Only two of the three new fitters. two of the three new

Invincible class aircraft carriers originally intended for anti-submarine missions in the Arlantic will remain in service. And they seem likely to play their main role east of Snez as Mr. Nort follows through the Government's plans to help in protecting Western interests outside the Nato area.

Naval losses are also balanced by additions to the RAF's strength. Among the improvements not altogether unexpected is confirmation that the RAF is to have the AV&B strike of the vertical take-off Harrier, which is being developed by British Aerospace and the American American company of McDonnell Douglas for the US

Marine Corps.

The number of refined Mark 2 Nimrod markime patrol air-craft is being raised from 37 to 34 as Mr Nott tries to change.

successive governments, is iden-cal Editor writes).

tilied in the review as a priority. Mr Keith Speed Conservarequirement and all the present tive MP for Ashford, who was
programmes will be maintained dismissed as Under-Secretary of The number of Hawk trainers. to be fitted with the Sidewinder

External cuts savage, says BBC

By Kenneth Gosling and Julian Havilland

vesterday. But seven of its 40 services, which were an essen- worldwide standing and effect-language services are to be cut. tial part of British foreign iveness of the external service.

In a statement outside the

House, Mr David Ennals, Labour MP for Norwich-North and a former Foreign Office minister, said the "petty but very damaging cuts" were a further serious blow to Britain's links with other parts of the world, when taken with cuts in overseas aid and in overseas students' fee increases.

The services to go if the cuts

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are implemented are broadcasts in French and Spanish for Europe; Italian; Portuguese

for Brazil; Maltese; Burmese

and Somali.

Pledging the BBC's opposition, Mr Douglas Muggeridge, managing director, external broadcasting said that this represented the seventh successive

cut in eight years at a time when all other main inter-

overseas services.

national broadcasters were in- for mor creasing the resources of their writers.

A long-term programme to tive MP for Hexham, who told improve the audibility of the her there should be no reduc-BBC's external services was tion today or in the immediate announcement future of the BBC's overseas

when the Tornado comes into operation and the Government is studying whether 20 strike Tornados can be diserted to an air defence role. Air Nott said in his state-

ment that the manpower reduc-tions in BAOR will enable the Government to afford what he called the very wide range of equipment projects now envisaged, although the scale and timing of some of them is being modified. The Challenger tank will

equip four armoured regiments when it comes into service in a few years' time, and the num-ber of Milan antitank missiles

being bought for the infantry is being increased.

Challenger, which is based on the Shir-2 tank originally de-signed by Britain for the Shah's signed by Britain for the Shah's Army, is not the only benefit that BAOR will: enjoy as an indirect result of the Iranian revolution. The other, announced by Mr Nott yesterday, is the tracked version of the Rapier anti-aircraft missile.

The cuts in the navy's surface fleet are paralleled by the loss of four ships in the Royal Fleet Auxiliary. But last night there was no hint of any resignations from the Admiralty Board, despite runours during recent

despite rumours during recent weeks that Admiral Sir Henry Leach, First Sea Lord, was seriously considering quiring at one stage of the review. In mid-March, the entire Admiralty Board considered resigning after being presented with "worstcase" options for the size and shape of the fleet in the size and shape of the fleet. in the early 1990s.

The main effect of the surface fleet reductions is the closure of Chatham dockyard by 1984 with the loss of 7,000 jobs. There will also be a sharp reduction in the work carried out at Portsmouth dockyard. It will lose 6,000 posts between now and 1984 and after that date no more surface ships will be relitted there.

The White Paper also hints at the possibility that the volume of work in the dockyard at Gibraltar may not be main-cained indefinitely. But if that is so other ways will be con-sidered to help to support the

Gibraltar economy.

G. Mr. Nott's defence review. and his preparation and pres-entation of it, appeared last the belance of British antinight to represent a considsubmarine operations in the
Atlantic. The addition of the applicant achievement,
Atlantic. The addition of the
Sting Ray all British torpede meeting of the 1922 Commitwill give the Nimrods a much tee of backbench Conservative
enhanced capability.

MFs. He received warm
The air defence of Britain, appliance, and there was barely

dismissed as Under-Secretary of Defence for the Royal Navy after he had criticized the Gov missile to supplement the RAF's erument's original proposals purpose built fighters, is being said last night. "The outcome doubled to 72. 2,500 for the RAF and between 8,000 and 10,000 for the Royal Navy. In terms of equipment losses, too, the Royal Navy seems to have come off worst,

Describing the cuts as "savage", Mr Muggeridge said the loss of eight services would

It was ironic, he said, that some of the new transmitters

being planned were designed to carry in part the very services it was now proposed to close

The French, Italian and Spanish services had four and a half million listeners and

there was "a very good audi-ence " in Brazil. It was "a stag-gering service to cut." A Latin

American foreign minister had

visited Bush House that day and

had been totally appalled by the

proposal.

Mr Muggeridge said the saving next year would be about f3m and up to 200 jobs would be lost

be lost.

The transcription services, which supply tapes of the best British broadcasts to more than

100 countries; cost about £1m a year to run and provide work for more than 3,000 artists and writers.

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undoubtedly endanger



Am Hobbs jumps for joy.

#### Virginia Wade makes early exit

Cheshire, it was victory at the first attempt over Britain's leading player who, at 35, is appearing in her twentiers. The conqueror, 14 years younger than Miss Wade, reached the third round with 6-1, 7-6 victory. Yet Miss Hobbs's triumph was over-

Virginia Wade, the 1977 shadowed from a British point women's champion, was defeated in her opening singles defeat of Bettina Bunge, the match at Wimbledon yesterday 13th seed, by Susan Barker, who yes a colleague from Great wo after trailing three games Britain's Wightman Cup ream; to love in the final ser.

Anne Hobbs, it was Miss Wade's last attempt at a prolonged run. Anne Hobbs, it was Miss Wade's last attempt at a prolonged run. The major surprise of the fourth day was the dismissal of in the champianships as she is Roscoe Tanner, beaten beaten for Cheshire, it was victory at the fried, was beaten by Jeff Borofirst antempt over Britain's leading player who, at 35, is appearing in her twentieth Wimbledon. John McEnroe, also from the United States, progressed to-wards a repeat of last year's final against Bjorn Borg by

#### Universities face cut of up to 25 per cent

By Diana Geddes, Education Correspondent

25 per cent over the next three years, while others will get away with a cut of less than 5 Any loss of grant for over-

seas students, which in some cases will be substantial will be in addition to those cuts. be in addition to those cuts.

The numbers of home students in some universities are to be cut by about 20 per cent over the period, while in a few exceptional cases they will be allowed to increase marginally. Those suffering the higgest grant cut will not necessarily be the same institutions.

sarily be the same institutions as those suffering the biggest loss of students.

Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary
of State for Education and

Science, is to make an announcement in the Commons,
probably on Wednesday, giving
the size of grant for each of
the 43 universities for the
academic year 1981/82, and
provisional figures for 1982/83,

the will amounce targets for the total number of home undergraduate and postgraduate students in each institution for 1983/84, though that may be extended to 1984/85.

He will also discuss the effect on the system as a whole of government cuts in the universities grant for home students of about 9 per cent over the next three academic

been forced to mortgage future profits from "The Musper Show and Jesus of Nazareth" to pay for its massive losses on feature films.

ACC announced bases of \$254m on feature film production of the state of the stat

tion and distribution with its

and and distribution with its annual results yesterday. The disastrons performante of "Raise the Pitanic" and the poor returns from a crop of films including Green Ice" were mainly to blame.

The losses were too much for ACC which had net borrowings of £749m at its last year-end.

The company reacted by selling forward contracts for television

programmes, mainly . The Muppers. and I Jesus of Nazareth . to American banks for

This was enough to hold the

fall in the whole group's pretax

profits to just £9m; leaving the figure of £25m for the full year. However, ACC lost £6.7m at the attributable level compared with a profit of £8.7m last

The figures shook the stock

Lord Grade is forced to

Lord Grade's Associated Com- He has built up a stake now munications Corporation has believed to be near 10 per

market, where the shares fell Wars. He declined to say how much the company might have been supported for some time by speculation that there would to sell the forward contracts; be a takeover bid for the but one analyst estimated £30m.

group by Australian business over the four years, man Mr Robert Holmes a Court. Financial Editor, page 23

dividend.

to emerge last December when it reported a 50 per cent fall in interim profits and cut the

ividend. In March the company raised

cash by selling its subsidiary.
Ansafone, which makes telephone answering machines, for
£13.5m, though it is now
revealed that this deal reduced

the company's ner tangible assets by £45m.
ATV, its television company, increased profits from £35m to £48m but ACC new faces the

problem of curing its holding to 51 per cent as ordered by the Independent Broadcasting

Authority.
Last year's difficulties were

compounded by a £4.6m loss from records and tapes, though

this division is now said to be profitable after the closure of its record factory,

its record factory,
Commenting on the television deal, Mr Jack Gill, the
managing director said: "The
Muppet Show" was a openinadecade success like "Star
Ware" Haddes

mortgage the Muppets

By Bryan Appleyard

Some universities are to have years, and the effect of the home students cut by more than cuts by the University Grants.

25 per cent over the next three Committee (UGC) between years, while others will get institutions and subjects. The committee has promised

a major restructuring of the university system, involving a reduction in the range of subjects at some universities, the closure or radical reduction of some departments, and the pos-sible and of some post-graduate teaching and research Mr Carlisle's statement will

be couched in very general terms, simply explaining which of the 15 or so main subject areas are to be cut back, both stake in Collins and its takeover bid is being increased from 200p per voting share to 225p. in terms of finance and student numbers, and which expended. Individual institutions will not be named. The announcement was made in London last night by Mr Murdoch and Mr Maxwell. It The UGC has decided that followed a meeting at which given a cut in total university income (as opposed to grant which forms about 80 per cent

they settled 2 dispute between News International and the British Printing Corporation over the printing of the Sunday Times colour magazine. which forms about 80 per centof university income on average) of between 11 per centand 15 per cent over the next
three years, there will have to
be a small reduction of around
five per cent in the total number of home students over the
next three or four years if
standards are not to fall too
seriously.
The cut in student numbers On Wednesday, Collins, one of the world's leading Bible publishers, issued a fierce rejection of the unwelcome 222.75m bid from News.

Independence for the 162-year-old Glasgow publishing house has been strongly sup-ported by authors, booksellers and stationers, and employees worried by the disappearance of Scorrishbeed communics The cut in student numbers in a particular stea will not necessarily be in proportion to the cut in finance in that area, of Scottish-based companies.

# Carrington rides out Begin fury

By David Spanier, Diplomatic Correspondent

It was stiff upper lip day at the Foreign Office yesterday with Lord Carrington and his colleagues disdaining a direct response to the attack on them by Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister,

He accused them in a television interview of being no friends of Israel, no friends at all. Regretted as Mr Begin's jibes are the only surprise in London was that it took him so long to get around to castigating the British.

After his recent attack on Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West-German Chancellor and M Giscard d'Estaing, the former French President British Ministers knew it would soon be their turn. be their turn.

The official view is that in an

election campaign, especially one so sharply contested as the one so sharply contested as the present contest in Israel, such personal attacks are to be expected, if not excused.

What has riled Mr Begin so much has been the British Government's condemnation of his decision to bomb the Iraqi purifer reserve near Rashdad

nuclear reactor, near Baghdad, though even before that, Mr Begin had been extremely critical of the British Middle East policy in particular its support for the Palestine Liberation Organization entering the peace process.

Asked on Wednesday, if Israel

now had even fewer friends under his leadership, Mr Begin said on the BBC programme Newsnight that this was quite untrue. "We have more friends

than ever, both in America and France, perhaps even in Eng-land—besides Lord Carrington and Mr (Sir lan) Gilmour, They are no friends at all."

As for Mrs Thatcher's con-demnation of the Israeli raid on the Iraqi reactor as a grave breach of international law, Mr Begin said: "I am not so sure Mrs Thatcher is an inter-national lawyer, It was a supreme act of national self-defense." Lord Carrington's

On Lord Carrington's approaching presidency of the European Community's Council of Ministers, Mr. Begin was even more scathing, "Mr Carrington personally he is no friend", "Mr. Eegin said heatedly, "I do not expect anything good from his presidence." As for Sir Ian Gilmour, Mr Begin said: "He is not only an anti-Zionist, he has negative feelings which go much deeper —I don't want to use other

Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, said yesterday, that Britain would not give up trying to

would not give up trying to make a constructive contribution, in the Middle East along with its Common Market partners. The next stage will be the report by the present chairman, Mr Christoph van der Klaauw, the Dutch Foreign Minister, on his tour of Middle East capitals. This will be discussed next week. cussed next week.

Begin-Peres clash, cartoon

No deadline has been set, and no venue has been agreed on for the final signature, but the force, now expected to humber between 2,000 and 3,000 men, and along the second to be severed to humber between 2,000 and 3,000 men, and along observers should be

between 2,000 and 3,000 men, including observers, should be in position, in eight months time, at least 30 days before Israel completes its withdrawal from the peninsula it occupied.

in 1967.
The accord calls for a civilian

American director general,
American observers and American managed logistics. The
United States is also to finance
more than balf the estimated

#### Sinai peace deal gives US first Middle East opening

From Our Correspondent, Cairo, June 25

Egypt, the United States and intermittent negotiations, must be ratified by the respective Governments, Mr. Michael multinational peace-keeping Sterner, the American chief multinational peace-keeping force to police the borders of

the Sinai desert after three wars in the past 30 years.

The accord, which has a strong American profile, gives American though their first American troops their first open ended military commitment in the Arab world.

Although the Americans emphasize that their troops would not be connected with a rapid

not be connected with a rapid deployment force, set up to rush to the protection of Western oil interests in the Arab shaikhdoms, the accord still gives the Americans, and other participating nations in the peace-keeping force, access to two advanced air bases in the Singi peninsula about 15 minutes flying time from the Saudi two advanced air bases in the \$100m; budget for operations Single peninsula about 15 min-during the first year, but the utes flying time from the Saudi bill, later running at an annual

to Murdoch

More Collins'

shares go

#### Windfall tax concession

gain for banks

Mr Rupert Murdoch's News International has paid £873,000 for the stake in publishers William Collins held by Mr Robert Maxwell of Pergamon The Government has yielded to persistent lobbying by bankers and made some important concessions on the windfall profits tax levied on the banks in the last Budget. The changes are expected to reduce the yield This adds to News' 31 per cent of the tax by around £25m to

£375m. The moves are specifically aimed at reducing the impact of the tax on smaller banks after representations to the Treasury that some small banks could have their profits wiped

out altogether. Hardest hit were expected to be National Girobank, the Co-operative Bank and the Trustee Savings Banks. Girobank, the Post Office subsidiary, had argued that it would have paid an estimated £10m in tax on 1979-80 profits of £9.5m. of £9.5m.

The Government is now pro-posing that the exemption limit below which the tax would not come into effect should be raised from £10m of current account deposits to £15m. Yesterday's concession will make little difference to the big. Bemrose in merger, page 21 clearning banks.

720 varieties still means failure

#### The British baked bean heads for a soggy end

By Hugh Clayton Agriculture Correspondent Attempts to breed a British baking bean may be abandoned this year. Breeders have decided after eight years that they cannot produce a bean that will survive British weather and be of the shape, size and blandness demanded in canning factories.
Professor Lindsay Innes, head of plant breeding of plant breeding at the National Vegetable Research Station near Warwick, said:

"This will be a make-or-break year for the programme."

Breeders have long been attracted by the prospect of producing a British bealt to reduce the wait cost of business the producing a printed beau to te-duce the vast cost of buying the nation's entire stock of baking beans from areas of the United States where they can be grown in a gentle climate."

Dr Richard Hardwick, who presides over more than 3,000 plants of 720 bean varieties at the station, said: "It is a question of cosmetics, not of agronomics." he had bred many beans that were hardy and edible, but they were never of the size and colour to match consumers' expectations about the contents of their bean tins.



We have a variety which ear after year gives very good vields," Dr Hardwick said. its seeds are brown and large, and they don't look like baked beans."
Visitors to the annual open

lay at the station tomorrow will day at the station tomorrow will be offered surplus seeds from Dr. Hardwick's experimental bean plots to grow in their own gardens: "I went to spread them about a bit." Dr. Hardwick explained. There would be no formal arrangements for those who accepted the seeds to record their results, but the station would like to hear of any notable successes in home

stations believe that some of their best varieties may have a future as exports. Meanwhile Government surveys of food consumption show that baked other tinned vegetables, and that consumption is rising. Tinned baked beaus, unlike such popular home-grown vegetables as peas, have no frozen rivals.

Staff at the National Vege-table Research Station keep a computerized catalogue of bean varieties that are available for exchange with research institutes abroad. In that way they have acquired varieties for experiment from many coun-tries, including the Sovier Union.

#### SALT TALKS **NEARER**

Washington, June 25
Negotiations between the
United States and the Soviet
Union on limiting nuclear arms deployed in Europe will begin before the end of the year, the State Department said yester. A date for the talks will be

set when Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, meets Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Sovier Foreign Minister, at the United

# Paisley blow to new Ulster talks

The Government's hopes of a new political imitiative in

Northern Ireland were dealt a severe blow last night by the Rev Ian Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionists, the second largest party in the At a meeting with Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr

Humphrey Atkins, Secretary, of State for Northern Ireland, Mr Paisley said that his party would refuse to take part in any talks so long as the Government commued its discussions with the Government of the Irish Republic.

Mrs Thatcher twice asked him to reconsider but Mr Pais-ley refused, saying that he had been given a mandate by last month's local government elec-tions in which his party almost doubled its seats.

woo 142 seats, compared with 74 in 1977, while the rival Official Unionists gained 152, com-pared with 178 in 1977. The atmosphere at the talks was said by both sides to have been calm and frank far dif-ferent than the fiery confrontation last December when Mr Paisley read out a four-page distribe to Mrs Thatcher

recogning the background of his suspicions over the Dublia Mr Paisley told Mrs Thatcher that since their last meeting, 27 civilians and 25 members of



Mr Paisley after yesterday's talks with the Prime Minister

the security forces had been murdered. He gave a warning that the Protestants could not accept the situation forever that 'there would be a backlash, He reminded her of her

repeated statements that the future of Northern Ireland was a :matter for the people of the province and for the United Kingdom Government and Parliament Her "secretive talks" with Dublin were under-

have told Mr Paisley that the Dublin talks were a maner for the British Government and for that of the Irish Republic, Despite Mr Paisley's threat-

ened boycott it was being said in official circles last night that Mr. Atkins would soon want to talk to Northern Ireland political leaders.

The Government last night closed the loophole in the Representation of the People Bill that would have allowed prisoners in the Irish Republic

stand for election to the British Parliament as a candi-date for a Northern Ireland tary Correspondent writes).

By 164 votes to 38, a majority of 126, an amendment to the Bill was passed in the Commons during its committee stage hav-

ing the effect of extending the disqualification to "the British Islands or the Republic of Ireland " Mr -William Whitelaw, the

Home Secretary, said that the term British Islands meant the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. The Bill disqualifies persons serving a sentence of 12 months or more from membership of the Commons. It was introduced to prevent the repetition of the situation in which Mr Robert Sands, the Maze hunger striker, was elected to Parlia-

ment for Fermanagh and South Tyrone shortly before his death. Parliamentary report, page 8

#### British coal exports set to reach 25-year record

The Government is expected to

change the rules on nurses'

uniforms after a Sikh girl won

the right to wear trousers as pure of her uniform. Miss

Taiwinder Kaur now intends to train with Kingston and Rich

mond Area Health Authority -

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Britain's coal exports this year are expected to reach 10m tunnes, their highest level for 25 years, and to generate foreign currency earnings to talling £300m; If met, the targets will represent a doubling of last year's exports, and also help to reduce the stockpiles foreign currency earnings

Haig faces fresh Sikh nurse can controversy " wear trousers Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State, is

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# for prisoner

Compensation is to be offered to Mr John Preece, whose con-viction for murder was quashed by the Edinburgh Appeal Court last week after he had spent eight years in prison. An interim payment is to be made while an assessor evaluates the case Page 4

Compensation

#### **EEC** farm fight

Britain is unlikely to accept the European Community's new scheme to compensate it for

financial losses under the Com-mon Agricultural Policy British officials say farm repayments reform must be linked with Security Council motion crinitairer budget contributions izing Israel Page 10

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at the centre of a new controversy after a leak to The New

York Times that he was dis-

satisfied with his country's handling of the United Nations

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# Left fails to rally TGWU behind Benn's campaign

From Paul Routledge, Labour Editor, Brighton

The vital block vote of the except largest affiliate to the Labour Party still cludes Mr Wedgwood reaffirm a decision on the party deputy

leadership. TGWU leaders, given a free hand by conference delegates, are expected to cast the union's 1,250,000 vote for Mr John Silkin in the first round of polling in the election on Sep-

Left-wing militants who wanted the transport workers to be mandated for Mr Benn fell into a carefully prepared procedural trap which drew them into personal conflict with Mr Stauley Pemberton, the wily veteran chairman of the TGWU. Their challenge to his ruling that the conference should not that the conference should not discuss the leadership candidates attracted only about 20 votes out of more than 1,000.

Mr Pemberton ruled that motions demanding support motions demanding support for Mr Benn did not constitute an emergency because the branches which tabled them this week had had an opporfunity to put forward at amendment to existing motions

The amendments already tabled on the topic fell because the motions to which they were attached had been withdrawn.

Yesterday's decision does not rule out eventual TGWU backing for Mr Benn. The controversy now goes in to a consultation exercise in the union's branches and regional councils before the executive council makes a recommendation to the Labour Party conference dele-gation, which has the ultimate

say. The political debate has over-shadowed all other issues

Three facing

girl's kidnap

charge of

kidnapoing.

except unemployment this week. Yesterday delegates reaffirmed previous policy favouring withdrawal from the Benn after the Transport and favouring withdrawal from the General Workers' Union conference voted yesterday to defer ment by Britain—both policies endorsed by the Bennite left.
The conference overwhelm-

ingly backed a composite resolu-tion urging the union to campaign and prepare for an early general election to end the divisive policies of the Government.

It added: "Tolerance and understanding of the difficul-ties facing a future Labour government in pursuing long-term economic and socialist policies with lasting benefits should be forthcoming from everyone in the movement, which should unite to achieve this end.

Mrs Emma Smith, a delegate from the North-East, reflected the general lines of speeches made to union conferences in recent weeks by Mr Michael Foot, the Labour Party leader, when she called for party unity to "fight the real enemy, the Tory Government".

At bottom, TGWU leaders argue in private that it is not so much Mr Benn and his policies that they oppose, but the strategy of his supporters in seeking to mobilize rank and file delegates against the plat-

the Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians has decided to back Mr Benn for the Labour deputy leader-ship (Donald Macintyre writes).

The final decision on how to cast the union's 200,000 block vote will rest with the eve-of-conference meeting of the 26-man Labour Party delegation.

He told Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, and Mr Justice Davies, sitting in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, that Sir Rupert had been unlawfully returned to face the charges, which should be dropped.

The indexe rejected. The judges rejected arguments from the Director of Pub had been deported, not extra-dited—an interpretation that have removed the lic Prosecutions that Sir Rupert would have removed obstacle to his prosecution.

Lord Lane said the Metropoli tan Police, who sought the baroner's return had asked for "disguised extradition". He added: "The police, no doubt in an excess of enthusiasm and certainly not due to a conscious intent to do wrong, have trans-gressed the line."

Sir Rupert Mackeson :

Baronet's

illegal

extradited illegally.

extradition

Sixteen charges of fraud

against Sir Rupert Mackeson,

member of the Mackeson

brewing family who worked as

teacher in Zimbabwe, were

dropped yesterday when two

judges ruled that he had been

Sir Rupert, aged 39, was flown to Britain in April last

year to face charges of obtain-

ing cheques and services by

Mr Louis Blom-Cooper QC

for Sir Rupert, said moves to bring Sir Rupert to Britain were initiated with the illegal regime in Rhodesia before the

introduction of direct rule. There was no extradition treaty with that regime.

Deportation by the African authorities because they considered Sir Rupert to be an undesirable resident would have allowed charges to be brought against him when he strived in against him when he arrived in Britain. But there was evidence that the real reason for his flight home was a back-door extradition request by the police, Lord Lane said.

Sir Rupert, who lived in Portman Square, Marylebone, London, before he left Britain in 1977, had been on bail set at £15,000 by Bow Street magis-

#### The Scarman inquiry

# Police in riot made repeated calls for help

The final message talked again about injured policemen and buildings on fire. "I can't hold the area much longer and

I am not, repeat not, going to give it up. When am I going to

The Scarman inquiry into the Briston riot heard the full details yesterday of the police radio messages which showed a chief superintendent calling repeatedly and increasingly desperately for help as his 60 men were attacked by 300 black

"We are getting a good hid-ing and we can't hold out any longer," Chief Superintendent Robinson said in one of the messages. He asked for 72 men with riot shields and for as much fire brigade support as possible because between 12 and 20 buildings were on fire

The messages revealed that Mr Robinson was caught in Effra Parade, half way down Railton Road, the centre of the riot on April 11, without any help for about 30 minutes.

Commander Brian Fairbairn who is in charge of the Lambeth police division and was organizing forces on that Saturday night, told the inquiry yesterday hat he was not aware of Mr Robinson's plight. He had given his radio to someone else because of the noise.

In the event Mr Robinson and his men were caught in be-tween two police charges, one

US cash for

condemned

By Philip Webster Political Staff

The Prime Minister expressed

her anxiety in the Commons yesterday over the success of IRA propaganda exercises in the United States.

Her remarks come after the hostile reception given by Irish

American demonstrators to the Prince of Wales in New York last week. Mrs Margaret Thatcher said the Government

was constantly trying to find ways of getting the true mes-sage about the Government's

position on Northern Ireland across to the American people and regretted that money from the United States was finding

its way to the Provisional IRA. The issue would almost cer-

tainly have been raised by the Prime Minister at her talks last night with Mr George Bush, the American vice-presi-

In the Commons, she said

she hoped that all who contri-

bined to an American organiza-

tion known as Noraid fully recognized its connexion with

the IRA which, she said, had-been established by a recent

court case.
Mrs Thatcher was replying to
Mr Robert Adley, Conservative

MP for Christchurch and Lym-

ington, who said that because of blased reports in the United. States Mr Bush should be asked to find a method of ensuring

that the true position was put

**IRA** is

Questioned by Mr. And witnessed the incident which about whether he would have started the riot on the Saturday. led by Commander Fairbairn from the south and the other. organized by Commander Leonard Adams from the north. begun his manoeuvre if he had nown Mr Robinson's position, Between 8.30 and 9 pm he Mr Fairbairn, who was injured during the riot, said he would sent out more than six messages. He said repeatedly that he certainly not have wanted to needed ambulances for badly injured men. At 8.49 he said: put more pressure on him. "We would still have had to

We are in very very serious trouble. If we don't get some assistance soon, we are going to get a very serious. go through to him to relieve him anyway", he added. The commander was also asked about references to The inquiry was fold that the word had been deleted from the "trapping" and "grabbing" people revealed on the radio word had been deleted from the transcript because it was so strong. Mr Robin Auld, QC, leading counsel for the inquiry, said that this message was followed by a somewhat plaintire cry: "Can you tell me when are we getting aid?" messages. He told-Lord Scarman that he had no intention of trapping people, but simply of dispersing them. They could get away through Mayall and

Railton Roads He said he did not know why the riot happened, but the reactions after the stabbing of a youth on Friday night and a youth on Friday hight and the arrest of a youth on Saturday were not untypical of the way blacks reacted to attempted arrests.

The Swamp 81 operation which preceded the riot was

get some assistance?"

The siege of Mr Robinson's forces ended when the two commanders were able to clear which preceded the flot was not as powerful as other operations the police had mounted in the area previously, yet they had not led to anything.

In the morning the inquiry heard from a young black man, Mr Anthony Morgan, who had Railton Road soon after 9 pm. As the inquiry learnt on the first day, Mr Robinson had felt it necessary to rurn the fire brigade's hoses on the

He explained how he tried to act as a peacemaker between the mainly black youths and the police and was congratulated by Lord Scarman for his

He said he suggested to the police several times that their presence was only inflaming things and he watched the arrival of riot shields on the scene raise the temperature further. At that point police came under a heavy barrage of missiles, fences were torn up and a barricade set up in Railton Road, he said.

Mr Morgan described how he saw a mini-cab driver's car being searched by two plainclothes officers to much abuse from the crowd. An officer shouted at one youth: "Why don't you shut up, you effing black bastard", Mr Morgan

He saw a man arrested and the violence began. The num-bers of police and people swelled. The impression people had was that the arrest was done in a highly provoca-tive way," Mr Morgan said, "The crowd was very angry."

The sites were in Africa:
Olduvai Gorge in Tanzania
and Koobi Fora in Kenya,
where archaeologists have
found hundreds of pieces of
fossil animal bone jumbled
up with stone tools at sites
between 2 million and 1.5 million wears old. But until now lion years old. But until now nobody has been certain about how these bones came to be Two young American archaeologists, Henry Bunn of the University of Califor nia at Berkeley and Richard Potts of Harvard, bave independently devised methods of identifying stone tool cut marks on the bones, distin-guishing them from a variety of other shallow scratches made, for example, by carni-

Science report

Early man

may have

scavenger

By the Staff of " Nature"

Was early man a hunter, or a scavenger like the hyenas? Did he, in fact, eat meat at all? A study of the scratches

on bone fragments at two ancient sites is beginning to

ancient sites is beginning to yield the answers: yes, man did eat meat; and while in one case, 1.8 million years ago, he got to his meal before.

other carnivores, most of the time he was last on the kill;

been a

vore teeth, gnawing rodents growing plant roots and waterborne and windborne rock particles.

Bunn used mainly strong light and the naked eye. Potts and Pat Shipman, a palaeontologist colleague of Johns Hopkins University. Baltimore, used the scanning electron microscope. They refined that technique to such an extent that they could dis-

an extent that they could dis-tinguish even different types of tool use, such as slicing, scraping and chopping, on the

Olduvai bones.

What they found was that many of the Olduvai bones had both tool cuts and carnivore scratches on them, indicating that man was compet ing for carcases with other Who killed the prey first,

though, was not so easy to tell, although in one case carnivore bite marks were clearly superimposed on tool scratches, indicating that man got there first at least once. In most cases the scratches appeared to be the other way around, so early man may have scavenged more than he hunted, though the cautious Bunn and Pous are nor jumping to conclusions. Source: Nature vol 291, pp 574 and 577 (18 June 1981). C Nature-Times News Service,



#### **Bush stops off for London talks**

Mr. George Bush, the United States Vice-President (right), with Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, in London yester-day. He broke his journey back to Washington after a visit to Paris " to carry washington arter a visit to Paris to Carry forward the warm and close relationship which was beladigated when Mrs Thatcher visited the United States " (Our Diploma-tic Correspondent writes). After talks with Lord Carrington lasting an hour and

a quarter, he was the guest of Mrs Margaret Thatcher for dinner at Downing Street. His discussions in London covered all the principal international issues, including the Ottawa summit, Poland and the Middle East. Mr Bush said after the meeting at the Foreign Office, that he had come away "enriched and more know-ledgeable". There were no arguments,

#### Labour hopeful admits Lost deposits worry Warrington

free lunches idea Mr Rudy Narayan, the lunches were given by anyone barrister who is campaigning to to anyone."

stituency.
The selection procedure has been frozen while the Labour

Party's national executive holds an inquiry. Mr Narayan said: \*The moment it came to my atten-tion it was stopped by me. No

barrister who is campaigning to become a parliamentary Labour Party candidate at the next general election, admitted yesterday that his supporters had been planning to offer free lunches to people canvassing for him.

He said the free lunch had been beaten by him during the first voting for the Handsworth selection on May 20.

He said is supporters had been carried away with some over-enthusiasm when they birmingham, Handsworth, constituency.

contravene party rules.

He added: "I have nothing to fear from an inquiry and I welcome it." He said he would continue his campaign to stand for Handsworth once the inquiry had been completed.

# ON COURSE

The Prime Minister yesterday promised a Conservative backbench critic that the Government will not be changing course..

She told Mr Miller, who

secretary to the Treasury."

was unpopular but what was needed today was a government

policy in the hope of spending their way to full employment.

#### traffic speeds up

The rush-hour traffic experi-

Chief 'Superintendent Paul Harris, head of Avon and Somerset Police road traffic division, said yesterday: "So far it has worked very well and the traffic is moving better."

The verdict has vindicated the view of some motorists that police control of traffic caused congestion,

Chief Superintendent Harris

all monitoring so that it could work as a whole."

Mr Justice Gibson will give judgment in the High Court next Wednesday on whether a public inquiry into the future of the Coin Street site on the South Bank of London st be immediately reopened.

On June 4, Mr Victor Radmore, the inquiry inspector, adjourned the hearing until September 8, at the request of groups opposing planning pro-posals put forward by Greycoat Estates and Commercial Properties. The company appealed

#### **OFFSHORE** RESEARCH By Pearce Wright Science Editor

£8m FOR

Seven grants totalling more than £8m for two-year research nology have been made by the Science and Engineering Research Council to universities.

The Cranfield Institute of Technology receives £357,000 for work on welding and the behaviour of materials in the ocean. Glasgow University receives £946,000 for work that includes the examination of offshore structures under barsh conditions.

A programme costing £1,498,000 at Heriot-Wart University includes the sevelopment of a free-swimming underwater vehicle, the safety of tankers and studies of oil well damage.

An award of £2,437,000 to Imperial College, London, is for a combined programme with University College with University College London, pioneering new struct tural forms and methods of construction, designs, mainten-ance and repair of offshore buildings. Newcastle : University bas

£565,000 for marine transport and seabed projects, and a special method of underwater inspection and maintenance is part of Strathclyde University's £530,000 grant.

A collective award of £1,930,000 to Manchester University on behalf of the North West Universities Consortium, covers political, legal and econoaspects of

#### Atraining for life

Running a home and looking after . yourself seems easy when you learn how from parents, But to a child who has grown up in residential care it can come as a sudden and very Irightening step. To help, we have small units where three or four leenagers can learn how to lead their own lives with support and guidance from stall in budgeting and housekeeping. This way, when they leave us to go out on their own, they can do 50 Send a donation to:





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#### Forte may yetsave opera group

By Stewart Tendler Crime Reporter The chauffeur of the 12-yearold Szudi girl held for a ransom of £150,000, and two other men were last night charged with

The men were arrested after a secret operation by police freed Miss Reem al-Harithi, the daughter of a retired Saudi general and diplomat, as the money was about to be paid at a north London rendezvous on Wednesday, Miss el-Harithi disappeared on her way to school in west London on Tuesday morning, and police began a search for her under a news blackout.

Susamcha Karunaratna, aged 37 a Sri Lankan and chauffeur to the al-Harithi family, was to the al-Harithi family, was charged at Paddington Green police station. Mr Karunaratna, stood to have decided on the of Luton, will appear in court today with Steven John Whitnall, aged 30, a dustman, of Harlow, Essex, and Yurek Przybysz, aged 33, unemployed.

also from Harlow. Yesterday Mr Shadi Soubra. the Lebanese businessman who handled many of the negotia-tions to free the girl, said:
"She is fine and recovering from the ordeal. We would like to thank the British press for helping us and the police. Mr Soubra was due to marry the girl's elder sister, Layla, next week but the event was brought forward to yesterday.
Mrs Soubra said: "I am very
proud of Shadi, as are all the

We are all very Miss al-Harithi was due to attend the wedding, but she spent much of the day being intérviewed by police.

#### LABOUR'S PLANS TO QUIT EEC

Mr Denzil Davies, Labour Party spokesman on Europe-and MP for Llanelli, launched a pamphlet yesterday which claims to have worked out how the party would withdraw from the EEC.

He said that withdrawal

would be an integral part of Labour government policy if they won the next election. The pamphlet, entitled The Common Market—The Way Out, was published by the party's Common Market Safeguards Committee which is supported by 100 MPs including



standing. He said their action was scandalous, frivolous or vexatious. In their claim, the ratepayers

# By Peter Wilson-Smith Financial Staff

generated by Trusthouse Forte's unsuccessful bid for the Savoy Hotel group. Both Sir Hugh Wontner and Dame Bridget D'Oyly Carte are directors of the Savoy and trustees of the opera company, and were opposed to Sir Charles's take-

over bid for the Savoy group. When Sir Charles's offer of sharing some trustees, is a

statement yesterday from the trustees said: "In view of the recent bid attempt by Sir Charles Forte on behalf of Trusthouse Forte to take over the Savoy company, which includes the Savoy Theatre with which the Gilbert and Sullivan operas have always been asso-ciated, it is unlikely that an

offer to help, if it were made, the trustees

However, a source close to the company said yesterday that the formula should ensure the company's survival for the fore-seeable future.

The siling D'Oyly Cate Opera Company may yet be saved with the help of Sir Charles Forte. the help of Sar Charles forte. It appears that a compromise has been worked out whereby the money Sir Charles has offered will be channelled through the Friends of D'Oyly Carte to the company.

The arrangement has been reached because of the ill-will between some of the D'Oyly

between some of the D'Oyly Carte trustees and Sir Charles

help was broached at a meeting of the trustees on Wednesday, compromise formula rather than risk a confrontation. Friends of D'Oyly Carte, while

separate organization. The trustees of the D'Oyly Carte will not be directly accepting Sir Charles's help. A

could be accepted at present by The opera company launched a public appeal for £200,000 in April after being refused an Arts Council grant. It said that the company would close down on July 18, but then gave itself a reprieve until next February.

They are seeking a declara-

tion that 30 Labour councillors

acted in breach of their duty

to the ratepayers, and asking

that they should repay the

council the money taken in a

supplementary rate demand last

They also want a declaration

that the council is a trustee for

the ratepayers for the money

collected from the supplemen-

The case is brought by Mr

Norman Barrs, Mr Edward

Alden and Miss Dianna Yach,

against the 30 councillors and

Mr Gavin Lightman, QC, for

the defendants, asked Mr

Tustice Warner to strike out

the claim because there was no

reasonable cause and because

ary rate.

the council.

#### From John Chartres, Warrington The Warrington by-election, which will probably be held on July 16, is producing considerable administrative problems

Although there will be wide spread interest in an election taking place in a constituency that has seldom been in th limelight before, 15 potential candidates have told the town hall staff that they intend to apply for nomination papers as soon as the notice of election is published, probably on Monday.

Notifications include representatives of such organizations as Citizen's Band Radio, the English Democratic Party, a hitherto unknown organization described as WISED, the Anti-Marriage Association, and two representatives of what is said to be the first "Social Democratic Party" with a registered

The latter organization, led by Mr Anthony Keane, a Man-chester barrister, has suggested that he or one of his supporters

labour force.
They alleged that "expendi-

tures have been unreasonably, improperly and/or unlawfully increased and the income and

receipts of Camden have been

unreasonably, improperly and/ or unlawfully reduced or lost".

By forcing Camden to imple-

ment those policies, the conn-

cillors had paid no regard or

insufficient regard to the interests of the ratepayers.

The councillors had deter-

mined by their policies to defy

and dispute with the Govern-

ment, and as a result lost grant

of 15m for 1980-81. To make good the loss, the council levied a supplementary rate of 6p, and in addition their con-duct caused Camden to lose

rate support grant of £20m for

1981-82

981-82. The councillors knew that

the manner in which they con-

ducted the council's affairs was "unreasonable, improper or unlawful", because both the

council's chief executive and the District Auditor had

The hearing was adjourned

until today.

title.

Ratepayers take Camden

Camden council's policies had led to "wasteful, inefficient and extravagant handling of ratepayers' money over a long period", three representatives of Camden Ratepayers' Association claimed in the High Court yesterday.

said that in matters involving the income and expenditure of Camden and the levying of rates, the councillors owed a duty to the ratepayers. But the council's policies had included no rent increases, no cuts in services, and no reductions in the size of the council's direct labour force.

to court on cash waste

might change their names by to the generally accepted notion deed poll to Roy Jenkins, of Warrington, which includes having lost a legal challenge a successful new town created against the SDP for copyright in a sort of circles around the infringement in the title infringement in the title.

One of the main concerns for for the small election staff of the borough council.

> of fringe candidates could lead to recounts to establish whether deposits had been lost. In the past Warrington has declared general election

> declared general election results between 10.30 and 11.30 pm. But the recounting could make the night of July 16, or the early morning of July 17, even more of a cliff-hanger.
>
> The by-election will be fought The by-election will be fought on the territory of the old, pre-1974 local government reorganization. County Borough of Warrington, which occupies a third of the new borough.

It will be important to all those assessing prospects to understand that the constitu-

It will also be important to Warrington borough election observe that Warrington is not officials is that the plethora as some living south of Watford seem to think, a great blob of Ceronarion Streets with un-employed chaps leaning over street-corner railings.

Warrington was created as Warrington was created as a "nodal" town because one of the first crossings of the River Mersey was bridged there. Its new town has been successful because it stands at the junction of two moterways. Civic leaders say it is the only growth point in the economically depressed Northwest. As a warning none to those

As a warning note to those depending on out-dated refer-ence books it lies in Cheshire

# those assessing prospects to understand that the constitutation was based on the ency boundaries, containing manufacture of wire and its 44,466 voters on the latest pre-eminence in the world of register (compared with 43,921 rugby league. It later years it in May, 1979), bear even less relationship to the new where they make Varyington borough of Warrington than Wodka. STAYS

#### Heseltine faces censure over housing transfer

Labour believed that he would take just as much notice of a Labour chairman as a

The Opposition will move a motion of censure on Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, in the Commons on Tuesday. The move carries forward a dispute which has already involved the new Labour leadership of the Greater London Council.

At issue is Mr Heseltine's decision to compel the GLC to transfer its remaining housing stock to eight Greater London boroughs which so far have refused to collaborate. They are Labour-controlled,
Mr Gerald Kaufman MP for
Manchester, Ardwick, and
former Under-Secretary of

State for the Environment, will lead for Labour. He said last night: "The Minister's Order is against the will of the boroughs concerned and, since Labour gained control of the Greater Lendon Council, it is against the will of the GLC. So both parties, the donor and the recipient, are opposed to this move, yet Mr Heseltine persists with compulsion." Mr Kaufman said that when

the GLC was still controlled by

the Conservatives, Mr Heseltine

told the House of Commons:

chairman of the GLC] should

ask me to withdraw this com-

pulsory Order, I should, of course, be prepared to do so." When Labour gained control

of the GLC, Mr Kaufman said,

Conservative.

"Mr Heseltine refused to do so, which means that he is say-ing that it is not the principle of the thing or the wishes of the GLC which matter, it is a question of political control over the councils concerned", Mr Kaufman added.

henour his commitment to the House to withdraw the Order if requested to do so, as a grave breach of faith." Conservatives said last night that the Opposition was making political capital out of a remark by Mr Heseltine which was an obvious one for a Conservative Minister to make, knowing the

history of the affair:

"We regard his refusal to

It was the GLC, under the Conservatives, which asked the Government to make the Order compelling the housing transfer on those Greater London boroughs which had refused to. take part in the scheme. Once the Government decided

on the principle of transferring the houses to the boroughs, it became necessary to ensure that it was carried through. When Mr Heseltine referred to Sir Horace Cutler and said he would be willing to respect his wishes, it was in the definite knowledge that Sir Horace it immediately asked Mr Hesel-tine to withdraw the Order, the Order to be withdrawn.

# **THATCHER**

By Our Political Staff

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, in a written parliamentary answer to Mr Hilary Miller, MP, for Bromsgrove and Redditch said that long-term recovery required four things: continuation of monetary discipline; helding down public spending and borrowing as a proportion of the national product: imof the national product; im-proving the performance of the pationalized industries; and greater realism in pay bargain-ing and manning levels.

resigned last month as a parlia-mentary private secretary in protest at Government treat-ment of private steel-makers; "We shall be adhering to our present monetary policies". Mrs Thatcher's message was driven home last night by Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade and former Chief

Interviewed on the BBC2 programme, The Pursuit of Power, he said the Government and the Prime Minister had the determination to pursue their policies through the lifetime of this Parliament.

He had no doubt the policy

which having made a diagnosis, stuck with it. Mr Biffen said the public believed it was high-time Briteven at the risk of Iosing an election, saw its policy through to the end of a Parliament. There was no likelihood of a sudden ...dumping aboard of

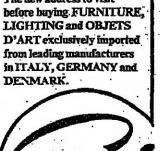
# Police-free

By a Staff Reporter ment in Bristol in which motor ists have been left to go at their own pace free of police of warden control is to be extended for a further three months because of its encourage ing start.

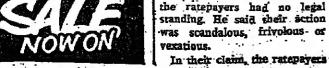
said: It is not the fault of the officers and wardens on maffic duty. They were doing a good job individually. But we haven't the equipment for over

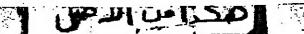
#### COIN ST RULING : NEXT WEEK

BY N.Y. PUBLISHER









# Early may had right to train as been a present to train as Scavenge By Frances Gibb The Government is expected "We are very pleased about this decision, which will enable the nursing the nursing the nursing the nursing the second to the nursing the nursing the nursing the nursing the second to the second to the second to the nursing the nurs

The Government is expected "We are very pleased about o change the rules for the this decision, which will enable inform worn by nurses after this girl to enter the nursing uniform worn by nurses after a Sikh girl yesterday won the right to wear trousers as part

of her uniform.

Miss Tajwinder Kaur, aged 19, who wants to train as a nurse with the Kingston and Richmond Area Health Authority, withdrew her application the Court of Appeal yesterday after the authority agreed to allow her to wear grey trousers and a white tunic. She had been seeking leave

appeal against a ruling of the Employment Appeals Tri-bunal in June that the authority was not guilty of an offence under the Race Relations Act, 1976, by refusing to allow her to wear trousers, in accordance with Sikh custom, with her uniform on a course

as a trainee nurse.

Miss Kaur, who has been offered a place in the next training course starting on October 18, said yesterday: "I am very happy with the outcome. But I would have preferred not to have gone through with all this. After a year's delay to my career, we have arrived at the solution which I proposed in the first place."

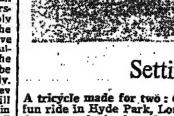
The General Nursing Council said yesterday that it had asked the Department of Health and Social Security to change the rules under the Nurses Act, 1957, so that instead of all the stipulations on dress, an area health authority could decide what uniform was appropriate. It is confident the recommenda-

The council has been aware, some time employers had been imoring the rules. But there had been no problem until the ruling of the tribunal. He said: In effect, that meant that health authorities all over the country were in the wrong The rules, which had been laid down by the council, were out of date. They stipulated, for instance, that nurses should

wear tricorn hats with "cockade embroidered device" "cockade embroidered device".

Supported by the Commission for Racial Equality, Miss Kaurtook her case to the Court of Appeal on Monday. Although Lord Justices Lawton and Shaw indicated that they would grant leave to appeal, a decision was reserved pending a meeting on Treeday of the authority.

Tuesday of the authority. Lawvers for the authority said applicant any grade of nurs-ing post is unable to comply with the wearing of the stendard uniform—protective clothing issue because of cultural or religious reasons, the individual's request will be Considered sympathetically.
Normally an issue of grev trousers and a white tunic will be provided by the authority in place of the standard uniform."



Pay action

has lost

BA £40m

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

strikes by air traine controllers in support of the
Civil Service pay dispute, now
in its minth week, have cost.
British Airways £40m and a
serious los of confidence
among the business community,
Mr Roy Warts, chief executive
of the state airline, said
yesterday.

yesterday. He said that if the dispute

continued until the end of August after taking into account savings such as fuel

costs made by not operating, the loss would reach £90m. British Airways, which is thought to have lost at least £100m during the last financial

year hoped to return to profit ability this year. But the con-

tinuing dispute could keep the sirline in the ced.

sirline in the ced.

Mr Watts said yesterday:

"It is especially sad coming at the beginning of a new financial year that was beginning to show a glimmer of a picking-up of traffice."

Although British Airways has in fact lost only 5.3 per cent of its services because of the

strikes, it and all the other British airlines operating sched-

British airlines operating scneouled services have become victims of a loss of confidence among the business community.

The Civi IService unions normally gibe only 24 hours' notice that they will withdraw their members from a particular airport or air traffic control centre. To avoid being stranded, many executives are travelling

many executives are travelling by chartered aircraft, train, car or boat, or are doing business over the telephone. In fact, the airlines have be-

their flights as the weeks have passed, although one chief of operations said yesterday. This has only been done at the cost of gallons of a well-known moduct which covers no

known product which covers up

grev hairs". Most airlines have established

Most airlines have established committees that notify passengers of delays before they leave for the airports, and arrange for buses to meet diverted incoming flights and for replacement airliners to be brought up to take the place of those held up overseas.

Airports such as Hum.

Bournemouth, and Stansted, Essex, have seen a sudden increase in traffic as arrines have switched flights while arr

traffic controllers at Heathrow

are on strike, Some pilots have bad to take circuitous routes using airspace controlled by local authority air traffic controllers, who are not involved in the dispute, and by the

Services.
British Caledonian Airways

said yesterday that its losses attributable to the strike have reached £2m. Leker Airways said ir was impossible to estimate losses at this stage, but

re-routing meant each flight across the north Atlantic was

taking an average of two hours

Airports such as

Strikes by air traffic con-

Mr Geoffrey Bindman, soli-citor for Miss Kaur, said he was delighted. If the tribunal ruling had stood. Miss Kaur would not It is confident the recommenda-tions will be accepted.

Mr. Reginald Pine, acting registrar of the council, said:

have been able to enter her chosen career. "This was a clear case of indirect discrimi-nation, even if unintentional."

operations.

Lord Shepherd, a former.
Labour minister responsible for

wanted a chairman with experience in industry and suggested

that perhaps a former chairman

could be approached to take on the job. That met with hosti-lity from the Civil Servants,

who said that an industrialist's

approach to manning levels would not be appropriate.

Lord Shepherd was suggested

end because be was popular with the unions and was a

former Labour minister, Mr Callaghan would have had great difficulty in vetoing his appoint-

Yesterday's annual report

resterdays annual report from the board suggests that there is still a place for com-parability in any new pay system which may be devised in time for the 1983 negotia-tions, and indeed Lord Soames, lord President of the Course!

Lord President of the Council has told the unions that com-

parisons with pay outside the service would be a feature of next year's negotiations. In spite of this, Mrs Margaret Thatcher has made no secret of

her distaste of comparability as shown by the decision to scrap

the Cleag Comparability Com-mission for the public services.

big manufacturing company

#### Setting the wheels in motion for Ride a Bike Week

A tricýcle made for two: Cyclists on a fun ride in Hyde Park, London, yesterday to mark the launch on Sunday of national Ride a Bike Week which

coincides with the week-long Inter-national Festival of Cycling at Harrogate. The Labour administration at the Greater London Council has

ambitious plans for cyclists and is expected to set up a cycling unit with a budget of £2m a year to establish

# Aid sought as egg prices drop sharply

By Our Agricultural Correspondent

Chicken farmers called for Chicken farmers called for government aid yesterday as egg prices fell sharply for the first time in a year. Farmers blamed cheap French imports for the drop and said they were also threatened by imports of cut-price French poultry meat.

Mr Douglas Thow, secretary to the livestock committee of the National Farmers' Union; said members feared that eggs

they had come from France.

its present total of 41.

Mr Frank Powell, marketing lirector of the Goldenlay

put Farm Fresh Eggs on them, who is to know where they come from?"

His group, which is the lar-

#### Barlaston Hall repairs ordered

By John Young Planning Reporter

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secre-Bry of State for the Environpowers to order immediate repairs to Barlaston Hall, Staf-fordshire, a Grade 1 listed building. It is the first time such action has been taken by a minister under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971.

Country Planning Act, 1971.

The house is owned by Josiah Wedgwood & Sons Ltd, the pottery group and is attributed to the eighteenth century architect, Sir Robert Taylor. It has been empty for nearly 30 years, and Wedgwood have twice applied to demolish ir. The second time was only three months ago when it was alleged to be dangerous because of subsidence.

The company, which a few years ago refused the offer of a £100,000 grant from the Historic Building Council, will be expected to meet the bill for the repairs.

In a statement yesterday it said that the implications of Mr Heseltine's action required most careful consideration. application for consent to demo-lish this highly dangerous building.

"It would seem to us to be

more sensible to await the out-come of the Secretary of State's decision on demolition before embarking upon what is bound to be an expensive structural building project."

Conservationist groups re-acted with predictable pleasure. Mr Jeremy Benson, chairman of the Georgian Group, said he was idelighted. Mr. Marcus Binney, chairman of Save Britain's Heritage, hoped Mr. Heseltine, would follow up his action with compulsory pur-chase of the building for a minimal sum which would re-

flect its poor state. However, unless the Govern-ment decides to buy it or a private purchaser can be found, it appears that a public inchiry will still have to be held into the latest application for demolition.

#### Methodists report rise in roll to two million

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Corresponden

Opinion in Britain towards institutional Christianity had changed considerably in its favour in the recent past, Dr Kenneth Greet, president and secretary of the Methodist Conference, said in London

"There is no doubt about a turn in the tide for British Christianity generally," he said. "There is an increase in theological competence, and very much less negative slamming of the church as an institution, with recognition that, for all its faults, we can use it."

There had been a steep up-wards turn in the graph of candidates offering themselves for the ministry year by year, and many of the churches were beginning to experience a growth.

He was commenting on the agenda and reports for the Methodist Conference, which starts at the end of this month. The latest returns show a con-siderable decline in the rate at which Methodist figures had been falling, the loss for 1980 being the smallest since 1965.

In the past three years there was a progressive increase in the number of Methodist bap-tisms. In 1980, for the first time in years, the church gained more members than it lost by death.

The "Methodist community", including regular church attenders and those wishing to be counted among the churchs supporters through the "com-munity roll", was estimated on November 1 last year at two million, the report to the ference on ministry says.

The most contentious on the agenda, judging from resolutions sent from local groups, is likely to be the proposed new Methodist hymn book.

The conference will be urged to give its provisional approval to the covenant with the Church of England and other churches, and will debate the manner in which Methodism House of Wedgwood, page 16 bishops into its structure.

#### Civil Service pay

#### Board of doomed unit still backs comparability

By David Felton, Labour Reporter

of a

Service Pay private sector user for com-Research Unit, which is expec-ted to be wound up at the end of the year, was established in parison were chosen to benefit Civil Servant's rates of pay. As a trade-off with the unions for reintroducing the pay research system, which had been suspended during the 1956 after recommendations of the Priestley Royal Commission

into Civil Service pay.

Priestley said the overriding social contract with the trade aim of the Civil service pay system should be the "maintenance of a Civil Service or recognized as efficient, and oversetime oversetime. staffed by members whose remuneration and conditions of

service are thought to be fair, both by themselves and the community they serve."

The unit which operates from Westminster and employs about 70 specialist staff, mainly seconded from the Civil Service, collates information on the comparable with vice, collates information on the pay of jobs comparable with Civil Service

The Government instructed the unit not to release the results of its pay surveys last year, which would normally year, which would normally have been used in this year's negotiations, because the Cabinet had decided that cash limits should determine this

year's increase. Union leaders tried unsuccessfully in the High Court to be allowed to see the reports, which they believed showed Civil Servants were owed increases of between 15 and 20 per cent to catch up with their counterparts in the private

The unit has been the starting point for pay negotiations in the Civil Service since in the Civil Service since Priestley, except during periods of incomes policies. The Pay Research Unit Board was established in 1977 by the Labour government to make the unit more accountable to the public.

There had been much criticism of the unit's operations, in particular there were suspicions that the jobs in the

SOUTH-EAST

**ITV SWITCH** 

The transmitter forms part of the London region but the IBA found the majority in fav-

region from January.

After canvassing viewers in the Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells areas of Kent, the Independent Broadcasting Authority is to attach the local relay transmitter at Pembury Hill to the South and South East ITV region from January.

#### WOMAN OF 92 ATTACKED

A woman aged 92 was re-covering in hospital yesterday after the latest in a series of attacks on the elderly in Liver-

An intruder pulled a cloth over her head and flung her to the floor before searching her house for valuables He ran off when the woman's screams attracted neighbours. Scores of recent attacks and robberies against old people in

Moonies to send Britons home

Merseyside have caused public outrage, and have been condemned by Mr Kenneth Oxford, Chief Constable of Merseyside.

# thoroughly at ports and might cooperative of farmers, said : be labelled as English when "Once you put a tray of eggs

said members feared that eggs were not being inspected

Ministers have been advised by a team working under Sir Derek Rayner, the Prime Minister's consultant on waste, to cut the number of state egg inspectors by about a third from

gest egg markering organization in Britain, announced changes that will lead to price cuts in shops of 3p:a dozen on the largest eggs and 6p on

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#### A scheme to bring young British members of the Unifi-cation Church, known as the Moonies, back from the United

States to restore family relationhas been agreed church leaders there and in Britain. The church has also agreed that recruits should finish their education in Britain before rejoining the movement in the United States.

The first case under the scheme concerns a former pupil at Marlborough College, Wilt-shire, who has a university place waiting for him in Britain. He is expected home on Monday, according to an agree-ment made with Dr Mose Durst. the American head of the Unification Church who is based in New York.

The scheme is the culminaeffort by two members of the Mr Hullah by other schools. Writ does not run throughout staff at Sevenoaks School, Kent, They have details of about 50, the American Unification the Rev Peter Hullah, rhs and evidence that the total Church, as the Californian side tion of months of strenuous the Rev Peter Hullah, rhs and evidence that the total Church, as the Californian side chaplain and Mr Casey McCann, number of such cases may be of its tends to go its own way.

housemaster of the school's international centre. They say the church has at last recognized the damage to its reputation in Britain caused by the distress of parents whose distress of parents whose teenage children join the church, abandon their educa-tion, and as far as their families are concerned, disappear.

Mr McCann has visited New York and California several times, initially to investigate what had happened to two former Sevenocks pupils. They had joined the Unification Church and withdrawn from their university courses without explanation. He eventually persuaded them to see their

parents and return to Britain. One has left the church.
Word of Mr McCann's efforts became known and further cases were referred to him and

more than five times that figure.
Mr McCann has negotiated for the return of the young man due back on Monday, and has, secured from Dr Durst an undertaking that similar cases on the Sevenoaks School list will be treated in the same way. Mr McCann said he believed the American branch of the church had failed to take parental concern sufficiently

seriously, through failing to understand the attitudes and

expectations of British parents

for their children. Mr McCann and Mr Hullah aim to supervise the return of young members until it becomes a normal part of the Unification Church's policy. The principal stumbling block appears to be the possibility that Dr Durst's

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# Substantial award Lothian for prisoner fights £53m spending cleared of murder cut order

Compensation, expected to aged 28. The other two were be substantial, will be offered offered £18,000 and £22,000. to Mr John Preece, whose conlast week after he had spent eight years in prison. An Taylor, who spent five years in interim payment is to be made prison after a conviction for while an assessor evaluates

The decision to pay compen-sation was announced yesterday in a statement from the Scottish Office.

Mr Preece was freed on Friday by the Court of Appeal in Edinburgh. He was convic-ted in 1973 of the murder of a Scottish widow. In the appeal the judges found evidence given by Dr Alan Clift, a Home Office scientist, to be discredited.

Mr Preece, a lorry driver who lives in Stoke-on-Trent, was not available to comment on the compensation yesterday. He was preparing for a reunion party with his relatives being held

The decision to offer com-

pensation, which is tax free, comes less than a week after a record award was made to three young men convicted in con-nexion with the murder of Mr Maxwell Confait, a transvestite, in 1972. The three boys were released in 1975 and have been awarded £65,000 between them. At the time it was suggested that £15,000 of the awards in each case was for hardship and the rest was for the cost of fighting the case and loss of earnings. The highest individual payment among the three was £25,000 to Mr Colin Lattimore,

was a total of £7,500 to Mr Parrick Meehan, who was con-victed of murder in 1969 and received a royal pardon in 1976. The compensation is still

the subject of negotiation.

In both England and Scotland there is no legal obligation on the Home Secretary or the Secretary of State for Scotland to make a payment. It is pointed out that acquitted defendants can take recourse through the civil courts against the police or witnesses.

But the practice of payments has grown in England where there are exceptional circum-

lawyer. Their decisions are clearly influenced by the length of time spent in prison and factors such as loss of earnings and hardship

#### Public paths stay open for beef bulls

By Our Parliamentary Staff An Opposition attempt to

reach a compromise on a clause in the Wildlife and Countryside Bill which would allow beef bulls to be at large in fields crossed by public footpaths was defeated yesterday.

The clause, agreed to by a standing committee in the Commons, prohibits the keeping of bulls on land crossed by public rights of way. But it does not apply to bulls aged under 10 months or bulls which are not of a recognized dairy breed and are at large in a field with cows

accepted a series of Opposition amendments to list in the Bill the seven breeds of dairy bull which were prohibited. The com-promise was rejected by eight votes to six. It would have banned bulls from fields crossed by footpaths unless they were of a recognized beef breed, pro-vided that the field was more was impossible to create a temporary diversion.

laid down that no bull should be allowed to be at large in such a field for more than four months in any one year
Mr Hector Monro, Conservative MP for Dumfries and an Under-Secretary of State for the Environment, said there had been increasing pressure to move away from local by-laws towards national legislation. The Government believed a solution should be based on a reasonable balance between path users and farmers, which reconciled the conflicting requirements of conflicting requirements of agricultural production and

public safety. There was no question of the Government breaking an agree-ment made in 1979 between the Ramblers' Association, the National Farmers Union and the Country, Landowners Associa-

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#### **PLANT HAZARD**

Charges that the Government's Health and Safety Executive had refused to back up with legal action advice about risks from a possible chemical plant explosion in central Middlesbrough were rejec-ted by the executive yesterday.

Middlesbrough bozough council and Cleveland county council had esked the executive for advice on redevelopment of an area in North Ormesby, where Carless Chemicals process and store ethylene oxide, a highly explosive chemical.

The executive said that even though the risk of explosion was small development should be limited up to 600m from the plant and that housing near it should be phased out.

In a statement, the two authorities said: "The executive has refused either to use its powers to prohibit what it calls a hazardous process or, atternatively, to declare that the precautions taken by the firm make the plant safe and there make the plant safe and there is no unacceptable risk in going shead with normal development

of the nearby urban area." The executive last night rejected suggestions that it had legal powers without responsibility. The executive has powers under the Health and Safety at Work Act of 1974 which it has fully and competently discharged at the Carless chemical site."

Improvements it had reques-ted had been carried out, in some cases beyond the com-pany's legal obligations.

There was a remote chance of an accident and Middlesbrough was told it would be prudent not to build more houses nearby because of the risk to people who might live there. The executive emphasized

tory role.

THE RUMBELOWS

The largest award until last week in England and Wales was £21,000 offered to Mr Albert The largest award in Scotland

stances such as misconduct by the police or a public authority. The Scottish Office declined to name the assessor studying Mr Precess case: In England and Scotland an assessor can be called in to advise on the amount to be offered. In White-ball it is often someone with experience of criminal injuries such as the chairman of the Criminal Injuries Board and in Scotland the assessor is likely to be a senior civil servant or

suffered by a prisoner and his family.

**CHEMICAL** 

By Ronald Kershaw

trol unless an emergency Bill is

introduced.

Under the new regulations local authorities are barred from borrowing their way out of a temporary shortage of funds without Mr. Younger's ap-proval. If the Secretary of State proceeds as expected with an order from Parliament, the monthly rate support grant pay-ments to offending local auth-

ing every sign that they would allow the region to go bank-rupt rather than permit spend-ing at present levels. Some members of the Labour Party leadership have reservations about the strong stand taken by the left-wing group on Lothian Regional Council which has flagrantly flouted Mr Younger's guidelines with an expanded programme of social and wel-

fare services.

The weapon of strike action by local authority workers is blunted by the ironic thought that the longer and more widespread the strike became, the more the Government would be

that in planning matters it had an advisory rather than a statu-



The Government is rapidly nearing a crisis with seven Scotis councils which have been asked by Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, to explain why they are breaching guidelines on spending.

Lothian Regional Council, the the centre of the disjoint, has been ordered to trim f53m from its present budget. The council says that cannot be done without big redundancies and cors in services.

The Scottish Council of the Labour Party has called a con ference tomorrow of groups in local government and umon movement to work out a response to the govern-ment restriction on local authority spending.

A party official told The Times: "The authorities have only a few days left to respond but their position is very serious. The Government has quite arbitrarily picked out these councils for special treat

In a furious artick during a meeting of the Scottish Grand Committee at Westminster on Tuesday, Mr Bruce Millan, Opposition spokesman de Scottish Affairs, said the Government's behaviour had made a collision with local government inevitable.

Mr Millan said after the meeting: "Of the 65 local auth-orities in Scotland, 59 have budgeted above the guidelines and of those 28 are more than 20 per cent over, which shows the guidelines are ludicrous. The result of this degree of cuts, in which the Government seeks to claw back £100m in the curto claw oack recom in the current year, is bound to affect every Scottish authority every Scottish authority whether they keep to the guide-lines or not." Labour leaders predict that 6,000 teaching jobs in Scotland

6,000 teaching jobs in Scotland will be lost.

The party has taken legal advice and discovered that local authorities have been cleverly hamstrung by the Government. According to Scots law there is no provision for bringing in a commissioner to take over control welces an amergency Bill is

orities would be cut imme-

The Labour Party official added: "There is no way an authority can balance its books except by cutting expenditure and Lothian, for example, cannot do that without declaring massive redundancies and going back on contracts that have already been signed.<sup>28</sup>
The Conservatives are show-

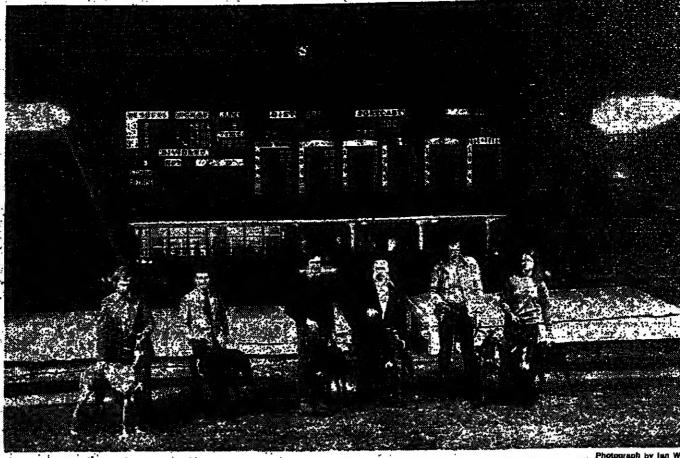
able to save in wages
The Labour Party official
said: We have to know the exact legal position a council would be in if, effectively, the Government forced it into bankruptcy. We must also be sure the Government is prepared to go that far down the road."

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Architects'

new chief

in mind

has changes

By John Young Planning Reporter

Next Wednesday Mr Owen Luder will take over as the new

president of the Royal Insti-

tute of British Architects, the

first in nearly 60 years to have gone through a contested elec-

His successful challenge to

the convention whereby the

institute's senior vice-president automatically succeeded to the

presidency was motivated he says, by a growing feeling among rank and file architects

that a shake-up was overdue." I stood because I was asked

There have been internal

grievances over such matters as architects' liability to clients

and the increasing complexity

of standard contracts, and con cern that not enough was being done to promote architecture and educate the public.

In 1963, Mr Luder was a lead.

ing critic of the institute's code of conduct which, until recently, not only prohibited advertising

but also forbade architects accepting directorships in the

construction industry.

"That meant that if an archi-

tect was a good businessman and was bright enough to reach

the top, he had to resign his professional status," he says. "A few years ago I had to remove myself from a company making

office furniture, because it was allegedly part of the building industry, it was absurd.

"I am convinced that, if more architects become directly

involved in the industry, then

it will benefit both industry and architecture."

He favours architects broadening their interests to include wider environmental issues. He

has recently been acting as con-sultant to the National Coal Board over the design of the

installations for the projected Belvoir field.

He believes interior design

is also a natural extension of architecture, but something that architects have babitually spurned as outside their pro-

fessional scope.
Like his colleagues he is defensive about the quality of

modern architecture and feels that much of it has been un-fairly castigated. There are

many excellent buildings which fulfil their purpose very well, he maintains.

society; it always has done. If you have a revolutionary society, you will get revolutionary archi-

techture. A conservative society will be reflected in conservative buildings. A change in the spirit

of a society may produce a

renaissance. An uncertain society, such as we have in this

country at the moment, will be reflected in uncertain archi-

But archiects are also forced, much of the time, to labour under the twin pressures of

planning controls and the desire

of developers to reduce costs and maximize profits, he points out. "Most of them would say that if they were given the chance to do what they really wanted, the results would be

Whether or not he is any more successful than his pre-

decessors in persuading the

Government to ease the present plight of the construction industry, Mr Luder seems to

have the sort of credentials needed for a radical, reforming

He is 53 and was born in the south-east London docklands. He won an LCC technical scholarship to the Brixton School of Building, where he

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very different."

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Architecture reflects

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The six greyhounds chasing their supreme prize

Ready for the off: The six dogs competing tomorrow night at White City in the 29 seconds of frantic action that make up the £25,000 Spillers Greyhound Derby, the sport's richest prize. The favourite is Parkdown Jet, fourth from left, who clipped seven-hundredths of a second off the track record for the 500 metre event in his semi-final. The other runners, from left, are Prince Spy, Barleyfield, In Flight, Rahan Ship and Clohast Flame.

#### Pill-cancer link still not certain

By Our Medical Correspondent

Doctors cannot yet say for certain whether women who ise oral contraceptives have an increased risk of cancer. Two reports published today in the British Medical Journal give what is described as muted reassurance on the issue; but it may be 20 years before a verdict is possible.

The first report, from the Royal College of General Practitioners, is based on follow-up since 1968 of 23,000 women using oral contraceptives and a control group using other methods Seventy-five women on the pill had been found to have breast cancer as against 58 in the control group, and when account was taken of the number of years on treatment that difference was not statistically

Only in the subgroup of women aged between 30 and 34 at the time breast cancer was diagnosed was there any sug-gestion of an increased risk of breast cancer among pill-users. In the second study, from a research group at Oxford University; 72 cases of breast cancer occurred in 17,000 women, and this time the risk was marginally lower in the

pill-users—though again the difference was so small that it had no statistical significance. Taken together, the two studies found no convincing evidence of any link between breast cancer and the pill. A leading article in the same issue of the journal reminds doctors, however, that breast tancer is known to be influenced by hormonal factors and

that no final reassurance can yet be given. Oral contraceptives have been in use in Britain for 20 years, so why can a verdict not be given? The first difficulty is that breast cancers develop very slowly; the estimate is that it takes between 20 and

30 years.

The second difficulty is disentangling the factors known to affect the risk of breast cancer from those such as the use of oral contraceptives, that only might be important In particular, the age at first pregnancy is known to be of crucial importance: the risk increases with time.

#### IN BRIEF

#### Welsh language chief jailed

Wayne Williams, aged 28. chairman of the Welsh Language Society, was sen-tenced at Bristol Crown Court esterday to nine months' jai after denying conspiring to damage broadcasting equip-

Tomos Owen, aged 20, was sent for borstal training after admitting damage and Arwyn Sambrook aged 22, was given a suspended sentence after admitting possessing equip-ment for causing damage. The court was told that £43,000 of damage was caused to tele-vision transmitters in Somerset

#### Channel swims fail

Two attempts to cross the Channel in aid of charity were abandoned yesterday. Heavy seas stopped six men from villages near Bath from cross. ing in a raft, cramp stopped an Army relay swimming team.

#### Shoeing offence

From November 1 it will be a crime in Scotland for a person not registered with the Farriers Registration Council to shoe horses—except in the Highlands and islands

#### No aid for Poussin

Trustees of the National Heritage Memorial Fund decided yesterday not to contribute to Manchester City Art Gallery's appeal to buy the Chatsworth Ponssin, the Holy Family

#### Detectives suspended Two South Yorkshire detec-

tives, a sergeant and a con-stable, have been suspended in connexion with drug offences. Yacht wrecked A yacht was wrecked in the

early morning darkness off the early morning darkness off the Norfolk coast yesterday when the couple on board mismok a light on a groyne for a mar-ker buoy. Edmund Luksch and his wife, Waltrod, from Essen, were undurt.

#### Fire blocks road

- The A38 Exeter Plymouth. Road was closed for two hours yesterday when a lorry carrying yesterday when a lorry carrying 18 rons of coal caught fire on Haldon Hill. The driver was uninjured.

#### Controlling public purse-strings

#### Thatcher confirms new watchdog

the next Comptroller and. Auditor General, Mr Downey's in The Times yesterday, means he will succeed Sir Douglas Henley as Parliament's spending warchdog, on October I this

The 115-year-old post has become increasingly important in recent years with the reawakening of parliamentary interest in controlling public expenditure and securing value

for money.



Mr Joel Barnett, Labour MP for Reywood and Royton, former Chief Secretary to the Treasury and chairman of the committee,

accountancy and audit experi-

Mr Gordon Downey :. Unrivalled insight into Whitehall inefficiency.

The comptroller's job is to provide MPs on the Commons Public Accounts Committee with oaded pistois to fire at White hall permanent secretaries sum-moned before them to account moned perore them to account for their financial stewardship. The briefs provided to MPs by the comptroller's Exchequer and Audit Department have kept it the single most powerful Commons select committee.

The Prime Minister yesterday was consulted by the Prime confirmed the appointment of Minister about the Downey Mr Gordon Downey, aged 53, a given initially by Mr James Treasury deputy secretary, as Callaghan and reaffirmed by Mrs Margaret Thatcher. Mr. Barnett had wanted to preferment which was forecast find a new comptroller from in The Times vesterday means outside Whitehall with wider

> ence that that provided by government departments. For that reason Mrs Thatcher's initial suggestion of Sir Anthony Rawlinson, Second Permanent Secretary in charge of the Treasury's Public Services Sector, was not taken up.

Mr Barnett made it clear yesterday that he "did not reject or veto" Sir Anthony. But no suitable outsider could be tempted as the most successful private accountants earn about four times the £33.170 salary for the comptrollership. Mr Barnett and Mr Downey

worked closely together in the Treasury during Mr Barnett's period as Chief Secretary before Mr Downey moved to the Cabinet Office in 1978 as number two in the Central Policy Review Staff, the Cabinet's "think tank". Both spoke warmly of the other yesterday. Mr Barnett said: "I have

worked with Gordon Downey as Chief Secretary and I am confident that we can work together in the continuing battle to get value for money in public expendigate." Speaking after the announcement of his appointment Mr Downey said: "Apart from

Downey said: Apart from being a very nice person, I do admire the way in which Mr Barnett concerned himself with public expenditure matters while he was in the Treasury and since he left. I would hope that this would be a very fruitful partnership."

Mr Downey took a degree in economics at the London School of Economics and has been at the heart of policy making since the 1950s when he was private secretary to three successive Chancellors of the Exchequer—Lord Butler of Saffron Walden, Mr Harold Macmillan and Lord Thorneycroft.

#### BROADMOOR TV FILM DEFENDED

A documentary film about Broadmoor was defended by ATV, its makers yesterday after it had been called un-balanced by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services. Services.

The film, I was in Broadmoor, televised on Wednesday, included interviews that alleged brutal treatment. Mr Jenkin said it had not been a true reflection of life inside the hospital or of the staff's devo-

tion. Mr. Richard Creasev, ATV's head of documentaties when the programme was made said yesterday the project had included interviews with many more former patients and staff han were shown to gain a balanced impression.



Mr Owen Luder: Motivated by rank and file. feeling for a shake-up.

# Patients' outing cash went

drinking in two public houses leaving 31 mentally handicapped patients on a coach, were each given suspended prison sentences of six months and fined vesterday.

Court chairman: "It is despicable that nurses who regard Walk their profession as a vocation prison should treat their charges in year.

The court was told that Brian Luckett, aged 26, and Malcolm Bryan, aged 41, both of Dale Crescent, Balderton, near Newark, Nottinghamshire, were among nine staff taking the patients from Balderton psychiatric hospital on an outing to dismissed and Bryan had Sheringham, Norfolk resigned from the nucsing ser-Mr David Blundell, for the vice.

Two staff nurses who went prosecution, said that Brian rinking in two public houses. Walker, the nurse in charge, drew some money from the area health authority to buy sweets and ice cream for the patients.

But instead he took the nurses in shifts into a public The two men, whose drinks and snacks were paid for out of the patient's spending money, were told by Mr Robert Wilkinson, Newark Magistrates' and salads with the patients' and salads wit money, Mr Blundell spid. Walker was given a suspended prison sentence earlier this

> receiving £5 and receiving food and drink. He was also fined £300. Bryan, who admitted receiving the food and drink, was also fined £250.
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> Mr David Payne, for the defence, said Luckett had been

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Commons sketch

# Nott's defence strategy | Navy towns feel job carries the day

No Conservative MP worth his sait could afford not to be seen leaping to his feet in the Commons yesterday after the defence review statement by Mr John Nott, to ask learned and incomprehensible questions about the comparative virtues of Sidewinders, Phantoms, Hawks, Tornados, Euccaneers or Nim-

At one point the Speaker intervened to plead anxiously with MPs and to point out that three quarters of the House seemed to be wanting to speak. At that rate they would be continuing into the middle of next

Indeed, so exotic and sophisticated has the modern armoury of destruction become that the more humdrum of the MPs joining in yesterday could well be excused for apparently not heing too sure of the difference between a Tornado and a

At the end of it all Mr Nort will have been congratulating himself on having carried the day with his colours flying high. High, that is, except in the con-stituency of Rochester and Chatham and that of Gilling-ham, where Mrs Peggy Fenner and Sir Frederick Burden, Tory MPs for these areas, seemed to be threatening to tear up their party membership cards. But the House of Commons

is not what it used to be. Gone are the ancient generals and admirals demanding that we should advance our frontiers to the Himalayas. Gone are such the ritinates as Rear Admira) Morgan-Giles or Lieutenant-Colonel Bromley-Davenport, whose very presence in the House would make any Secretary of State for Defence think twice hefore cutting even a rowing host or a hand-grenade from his arms budget. let alone Chatham dockyard or

HMS Ark Royal As it turned out Mr Nott's campaign over the past few weeks and months has been carried through with the exper-tize of a Napoleon or a Wellington. Starting with the horrific rumours that he would be leav-ing the nation's defences with little more than a couple of Horse Guards outside Buckingham Palace and a flotilla of rowing boats on the Serpentine, the Secretary of State gradually scaled down his review until the result yesterday was greeted relief and some cheers



Above: Mr Keith Speed, dismissed for "mutiny Below: Dr David Owen: praise for minister.



sion on his face, "it is nothing like the catastrophic change some newspapers were

Only the mournful face of Mr Keith Speed, the Minister for the Navy, now reposing on the backbenches after being dismissed for mutiny half-way through the exercise, seemed to suggest that something rather more catastrophic might once

have been in the wind.

But all his pleadings that the Government was not cutting defence costs and that he was really spending more and that it was all going into our front line capability instead of on support costs, did little to from his backbenches.

"As you can see", Mr Nort and Sir Frederick. Mr Nort

looked suitably saddened as she asked him whether he thought that the people of Rochester and Chatham elected her to

support a Government that would do this to the dockyard. "He need not answer that", Mrs Fenner roared, "They did not and I do not."

Sir Frederick took up the cry. This was the most distressing day he had experienced during his 30 years in the Commons. Unless Mr Nott could give an assurance that there would be no war in the next 20 years, this cut in the Royal Navy was very dangerous.

very dangerous.

But apart from these explo-aions, and a few lesser rumbles from the Portsmouth and South-amption areas, Mr Nott'escaped more or less unscathed. To his credit, the Secretary of State could not be accused of political could not be accused of political bias in his choice of closures. Indeed, his reward was congratulations from Dr. David Owen, one of the leaders of the Social Democrats, for coming to grips with reality. The dockward at Plymouth, Devonport, (Dr. Owen's constituency), was, of course, not being closed.

As was to be expected, Mr Note's main concern was paci-fying his own backbenches. Mr. Brynmor John. Opposition spokesman on defence, is pro-bably the most uncomfortably. positioned politician in the House of Commons, placed as he is between the Scylla and Charybdis of the left and right wings of his party, which are probably farther apart on de-fence than on most other issues, Mr Wedgwood Benn apart.

About the only thing on which Mr John could hope for agreement was the general dis-like of the Trident missile, and he made the most of it. How was the wretched Mr John expected realistically to deplore mothodling a few frigates or abandoning. Nato priorities when a considerable number of Labour MPs would like to mothod ball the entire fleet and get out of Nato altogether?

So joy on the Opposition benches was confined yesterday to the words of Mrs Fenner and Sir Frederick, and the declaration that the next Labour government would cancel the Trident missile: Bring back Bromley-Daven-

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#### Reaction

# loss is catastrophic

suffering."

Reaction from the country to an end. These ill-conreived areas most affected by the defence cuts was one of bitterness and surprise.

This decision is a catastrophe.

Sally I see no hope now of getting it reversed:

every effort to cushion this terrible blow. I will be getting together a delegation to see appropriate, ministers to discuss how the crippling effect of memployment can be lessened.

Mr Don Rush, head of the Management Services Commission Mr Don Rush, head of the Manpower Services Commission in mid-Kent, said: "The closure will cause a colossal increase in unemployment. It will mean 20 per cent of the people in Medway being out of work, which will put it on a par with the worst depressed areas of Britain."

A spokesman for the Whit-

A spokesman for the Whit-ley Committee, which co-ordinates all the unions in the yards, said: "We are stunned, shocked and totally bemused. It is a terrible tragedy that is going to destroy tragedy that is going to destroy this, area. All the workers are as depressed as it is possible to be." Mr Michael Lewis, Conserva-tive leader of Gillingham Coun-cil said: "The Government

must not be allowed to wreck the economy of the 250,000 people living in the Medway towns: It is too frightening to think about."

think about."

In Portsmouth, Mr John
Marshall, leader of the city
council, said that he was
spealled by the decision to run down the dockyard.

"It's a very, very bad day and a firm decrease for Portsmouth. The city's taken on the fun historical role is about to come the people here.

of its level of dependence on the Navy and the dockyard.

"These are major strategic decisons which could be irreversible, made for short-term economic reasons." Mr Michael Hancock, Ports

measures will affect Ports-

mouth very seriously. It will create misery and human

Six thousand jobs in the dockyard would go and the effect on the city was catastrophic. He said an all-party meeting had been arranged with

Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, on Tues-day, with representatives from the whole of the Portsmouth

Mr Marshall added that Portsmouth would be affected worse than most cities because

mouth councillor and leader of the Labour group on Hamp-shire County Council, said: "It is no consolation that the dock-yard is not to close. The effects of these measures will be diabolical and devastating. We are going to pay a very high price for Trident." He said that Portsmouth's economic life would suffer because of the fall in the numbers employed by the Navy.

Rear Admiral Morgan Morgan-Giles, former MP for Portsmouth, said: "All is not lost for Portsmouth, I for one reading the press thought that Portsmouth would be the one

Mr Rancock said : "We need some firm steps to be taken and a firm decision must be taken on the future of jobs for

Work welcomed

#### New order for submarine

British Shipbuilders last dependent on naval work. About night welcomed orders for a half of its 70,000 employees nuclear submarine, a type-22 work on warship construction frigate, and five patrol craft. The difficulty of lack of frigate, and five patrol craft for Hongkong which, it said, would maintain employment at its yards at Barrow in Furness. otstoun on the Clyde and at

marine and the type-23 frigate. gaps because of the uncertainty. The corporation is heavily over the defence review.

orders from the Navy over the past two years has been exacer-bated by the failure of the corporation to attract orders from foreign navies.

The state shipbuilding cor-poration also welcomed the latest plans to the Department Government wish to proceed of Industry at the end of last with a new diesel electric sub-month but they contained many

#### Trident

### Tories say 'Yes, but' to new missile system

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent

MPs on the Defence Committee have split along party lines over last government decision to. spend at least E5,000m on the Trident auclear missile system.

The main report, backed by the committee's Conservative majority, supports the choice of Trident to succeed Polaris as Britain's strategic deterrent in the 1990s. But the document published yesterday, after 15 months study by the commit-tee, contains a minority report from dissering Labour mem-

The majority report accepts that a deterrent based on cruise missiles, which has received influential support from some quarters, did not offer a credible alternative to the less vulnerable Trident.

There was no evidence to suggest that Anglo-French cooperation could have procooperation could have pro-duced a comparable option either, given the available time and money. Trident, a ballistic missile with up to eight inde-pendent warheads on each launcher, endowed Britain with a greater capability than was needed, but that was just a by-product of choosing the only cost-effective system available. The main report is not with-

out doubts and criticism. It expresses regret, if less strongly than its Labour rival, over the Ministry of Defence's reluc-tance to discuss the effect that the Trident deal might have on other parts of the defence pro-gramme: the so-called a opportunity cost". Against the background of

ministry's review of Britain's commitments, pub-lished as a White Paper yester-day, it was hard to see how top priority could be given to Trident except at the expense of other items of equipment un-less there was a big improvement in the economy.

The report doubts whether

he Government would be justified in spending a further £600m on a fifth submarine (at present there are to be only four),

A decision is expected by the end of next month on the design of the Trident sub-marines. The design will partly ment decides to change its mind and go for the bigger, more expensive, Trident 2 or H5 missile, or the Trident I or C4 on which prenent plans are based. The main report concludes:



We can see no case for the cancellation of the Trident programme by any future government. For Britain to abrogate the Trident agreement would be seen as withdrawal from the commitments to the stant since 1949. Cancellation would also have serious con-

United States and other Nato allies."

Labour members, led by Mr. John Gilbert, himself a former iunior minister for defence. agree in their report that the most important effect of cancellation could be on the att. tude of the Americans. For that reason any future can cellation should be accompanied by a reaffirmation of Britain's commitment to Nato and by a revitalization of the country's

conventional forces. They add that they feel unable to recommend that any future government should continue with the Trident programme

Both reports tabulate the spending on Trident as envisaged at present as follows:

		%
	Σm	of total
lissiles	600	12
ubmarines	1,500	30 :
equipment	800	16
hore construction	600	12.
(arheads (British)	,500	30

Between £700m and £800m is planned to be spent in 1980. 85: between £2000m and £2,500m in 1985-\$0; and be-tween £1,700m and £2,300m in

At a Commons press conference yesterday, Libour members of the select committee emphasized the firm pro-Nato stance of their alternative report and made clear that they were not unilateral disarmers opposed to nuclear weapons under any conditions but preferred a multilateral approach to disarmament. The crux of their case against Trideat was its opportunity cost in terms of other parts of the defence programme that would have to be forgone to pay ic it (Peter Hennessy writes).
Mr John Gilbert said the penalties imposed by the cost

of Trident on the conventional defence budget were unaccept

Fourth Report from the Defence Committee: Stratem (Nuclear Weapons Policy (House of Com-mons paper 36; Statiquery Office, £10.60).

# The Way Forward: Fewer people but better technology

By Our Defence Correspondent

Manpower reductions of nearly 20,000 in the Armed Forces, the loss of nine frigates or destroyers and one of the Royal Navy's new anti-submarine carriers, and the closure of Chatham dockyard in three years were among the changes in Britain's defences announced by Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, yesterday. There will also be a very sharp reduction in the work carried out in the dockyard at Portsmouth.

The British Army of the Rhine (BAOR) is being reshaped for the second time in five years and there are . expansion plans for the reserves, including an extra. 16,000 men for the Territorial Army.

The Trident nuclear missile is among the resources that are being retained. The Government's commitment to raise defence spending by an annual 3 per cent until-1986 is another principle that has survived. The text in part is as follows:

The first duty of any British It has become clear that meeting Government is to saleguard our people in peace and freedom. In this responsibility in the future calls for change in the defence programme. There are two main without a major defence effort. The international scene is in The international scene is in several areas unsettled and even

Soviet military power, already massive, continues to grow in size, quality and reach, and the Soviet leaders continue to demonstrate their readiness to use it brutally. The North Atlantic Alliance remains vital to us, and neither its strength dor its cohesion can be maintained without our crucial contribution. This is at the top of

the Government's priorities.
Our policy is translated into practice initially through decisions on resources. Britain already spends 5.2 per cent of its gross domestic product on defence—one of the highest figures anywhere in the Alliance, even though we are not among the wealthiest members and continue to face sharp economic difficulties. The Government attaches such

importance to its security responsibilities within the Alliance that defence expenditure is already 3 per cent higher in real terms than three years ago, it was announced in March, and has recently been reaffirmed, that the defence hudget for the next two years (1982/83 and 1983/84) will reflect further annual growth at 3 per cent, in full implementation of the Nato aim.

decided to plan to implement the aim in full for a further two years—1984/85 and 1985/86—and the programme will be shaped accordingly. This may well mean that defence will absorb a still higher there. share of our gross product.

#### To be managed in cash terms

Defence, like other programmes, will now be managed in cash terms: the intendion will be provision for 1985/86 21 per cent higher, in real terms, than actual expenditure in 1978/79. In a setting of economic difficulty, and distantial Commencer's determinagiven the Government's determination to hold down total public expenditure, there could be no clearer or more concrete demon-stration of resolve to maintain our vital priorities and our Alliance

The Government's appraisal of the defence programme therefore in no way rests on a desire to cut our defence effort. On the con-trary, it reflects a firm resolve to establish how best to exploit a substantial increase, which will enable us to enhance our front-line capability in very many areas. Defence spending on the scale we have decided is a heavy burden on the British people, but one which in our judgment they are

all the more incumbent upon

First, even the resources we plan to allocate can-not adequately fund all the force structures and all the plans for

their improvement we now have. their improvement we now have, One reason (not peculiar to Bri-tain) is cost growth, especially in equipment. Our forces need to be squipped, operated, trained and sustained to the standards imposed by the mounting Soviet effort and the increasing sophisti-ration of weapons. cation of weapons. Our current force structure is

however too large for us to meet this need within any resource allocation which our people can reasonably be asked to afford. The effects—at a time moreover when economic recession led to when economic recession leaf to intensified activity in industry on defence work and so caused extra difficulties in managing the defence programme—were seen in 1980-81, when harsh measures to cut back activity and stop placing orders on industry still could not prevent a substantial overspend and similar problems, which will call for urgent corrective action, are already emerging for 1981/82. The second reason for change, parily related to the first, concerns balance within the programme. Technological advance is sharply changing the defence environment. The fast-growing environment. The fast-growing power of modern weapons to find targets accurately and hir them hard at long ranges is increasing the vulnerability of major plat-forms such as aircraft and surface

ships.

To meet this, and indeed to exploit it, the balance of our investment between platforms and weapons needs to be altered so as to maximize real combat capability. We need to set, for the long term, a new force structure which will reflect in up-to-date terms the most cost-effective ways of serving the key purposes of our defence effort.

The best ways of enhancing the deterrent effect of our armed forces, for example, in raising the nuclear threshold, is to give more resources to their hirting power and staying power in combat. This means that the structure we set must be one which we can afford to sustain with modern weapons and equipment, and with proper

war stocks.

This is less glamorous than maximizing the number of large and costly platforms in our armoury, but it is far the better way of spending money for real security value. Moving in this direction will mean substantial and uncomfortable change in some Helds. But the alternative, of keeping rigidly to past patterns, would be a recipe for overstretch, inadequacy and waste—it would leave us the certainty of attempting too the Government to ensure that much and achieving too little.

resources are spent to the very best effect in turns of security. Government has therefore taken



Strengthening battleground air defences: The Tracked Rapier missile.

fresh and radical look at the the best way—indeed the only efence programme. We have cost-effective way—of modernisons this in terms of real defence ing the crucial strategic element alput—the roles our forces of our capability. In the Governmetrake and how they should in ment's firm judgment, no alternature be carried out—and not in the application of defence reserves of organization. It is sources could approach this in real receivable of the first way—indeed the only indeed the only ind defence programme. We have done this in terms of real defence future be carried out—and not in terms of organization. It is increasingly essential that we tackle the business of defence this way, and manage it in terms of total campility matter than of total capability rather than Service shares.

We have now four main roles: n independent element of strategic and theatre nuclear forces committed to the Alliance; the direct defence of the UK homeland; a major land and air courri-bution on the European mainland; and a major maritime effort in the Eastern Atlantic and Channel. We also commit home-based forces to the Alliance for special ist reinforcement contingencies, particularly on Nato's European

Finally, we exploit the flexibility of our forces beyond the Nato area so far as our resources permit, to meet both specific British responsibilities and the growing im-portance to the West of support-ing our friends and contributing to world stability more widely. There can be no question of abandoning our contribution in any of these roles, especially in face of a growing threat. The issue is not whether to undertake them in the future, but how best to-do so from our growing resource allo-cation. Within this key objective, capon. Within this key objective, the review has taken nothing as exempt or sacrosanct. The rest of this White Paper sets out the Government's broad conclusions.

We intend to maintain and modernize our present nuclear role in the Alliance.

We intend accordingly to proceed with our plans for Trident. Certain aspects of the programme are still being studied, but however these are resolved expenditure over the next few years will remain comparatively Review of all the options con-firms that Trident remains by far

are essential are essential

In air defence, we will maintain
all the major improvement plans
already announced.

It is however essential to provide
more United Kingdom based
fighters. Two Phantom squadrons
will be retained instead of being
phased out as Tornado F2 comes
in. For local air defence a further
36 (making 72 in all) of our Hawk
advanced trainer aircraft will be
equipped with Sidewinder air-toair missiles.

We are also considering whether

deterrent insurance. The operation of the strategic force will remain the Royal Navy's first and most

rital task for Britain's security.
We cannot reduce our effort in
direct defeuce of the United Kingdom homeland.

More fighters

air missiles.

We are also considering whether to switch to the air defence configuration the last 20 Tornados VC10 squadron is already planned to enhance our tanker force, which effectively multiplies our fighter force by prolonging patrol time and range, and we plan to modify additional VC10s for use as either transports or tankers, replacing the Victors if fatigue repairs become uneconomical. By 1986 tha total force will have increased by

We will continue to build up a balanced mine counter-measures force, and we will proceed with The Government is determined

to make more use of reserve forces. We now plan a further substantial expansion of the Ter-ritorial Army for use both at home and in Germany, where last year's Exercise Crusader vividly demonstrated its readiness and efficiency. We plan to increase

strength progressively from 70,000 today to 85,000, and provision for training days will be increased from the present average of 38 a year to 42. We plan to acquire new

we plan to acquire new inne-sweepers for the Royal Naval Reserve, though it will not be financially possible to place orders this year. The use of Royal Auxiliary Air Force Regiment squadrons for ground defence of airfields in the United Kingdom will be expanded. The Government has considered with especial care the future of the large proportion of our land and air forces we maintain per-manemly in the Federal Republic of Germany, backed by a very extensive commitment for rapid reinforcement from the United

Kingdom in emergency. Despite all the financial pressures on our defence effort, the Government has decided that this contribution is so important to the Alliance's military posture the Alliance's military posture and its political cohesion that it must be maintained. The Central Region is the Alliance's heart-land in Europe, the forward defence of the Federal Republic is the forward defence of Britain

The full fighting strength of First British Corps is needed to guard the viral 65-kilometre sector assigned to it. We will therefore stand by our Brussels Treaty commitment of land and air forces, and the figure of 55,000 troops which we have upheld under it for over 20 years now. We propose to reorganize the main regular structure of the corps

three brigades; the overheads of the fourth stationed division will thus be saved. The total number of brigades in the rotal number of origanes in
the Federal Republic will be sustained at eight; one of the nine
regular brigades will be held
normally in the United Kingdom,
as will a new reserve division

formed primarily from the Terri-torial Army and committed to the reinforcement of 1(BR) Corps. Our reinforcement of 1(BR) Corps. Our ability to reinforce BAOR rapidly will be substantially increased when the new Individual Reinforcement Plan comes into effect on July 1, 1981.

We will maintain the wideranging set of major projects we have in hand for progressive recquipment of BAOR. The scale or timing of some of the new equipment projects will need to be

ranging set of marter projects we have in hand for progressive re-equipment of BAOR. The scale or timing of some of the new equip-ment projects will need to be modified, partly to restrain total: cost but also to provide room for further enhancement of war stocks and ammunition to improve the combat endurance of 1(BR) Corps; in perticular we plan to increase the buy of Milan anti-tank missiles.

missiles.

The planned buy of Challenger will be enough to equip four armoured regiments. There will be a programme of qualitative improvements both to the present Chieffain and in due course to

The key elements of the im-provement programme for the Blowpipe air defence missile Blowpipe air defence missile system will continue, but we will not proceed with the towed version of the quadruple launcher. We will however greatly strengthen battlegroup air defences by equipping three batteries with the tracked version of the Rapier missile system. The introduction of the big Chinook helicopter for rapid logistic support and troop movement will continue. and troop movement will continue. We intend to provide new and

We intend to provide new and better aircraft with the unique vertical and short take-off and lauding (V/STOL) capability which gives exceptional survivability and responsiveness in the support of forward troops. On the final conclusion of satisfactory terms of collaboration with the United States the new aircraft will be the AVSB development of the Harrier. produced jointly by McDonnell Douglas and British Aerospace, with Rolls-Royce engines.

engines.

Operationally, the new aircraft will bring a big advance in manoeuvrability, range, endurance, and weapon-carrying ability; industrially, there will be a great deal of work—worth perhaps a billion pounds at current rates—for British industry id orders for the United Kingdom and even larger orders for the United States We envisage busing 60 AVSRs. larger orders for the United States We envisage buying 60 AVSRs.
Deployment of the Tornado strike aircraft in Germany will proceed as planned, and the IP 233 project for air-delivered weapons to neutralize enemy air-fleids by cratering has been confirmed. We shall seek subsequently to acquire further advanced weapons for attacking enemy armoured forces and suppressing air defences, to exploit Tornado's capability more fully.

This clear that we shall not be It is clear that we shall not be able to afford any direct and early replacement for the Jaguar force in Germany and at home. We are however continuing work and discussion with potential partners on future combat aircraft. Possi-bilities will include both advanced V/STOL and Tornado-related developments.

As the Government's review work proceeded it became clear that the most complex and foilficult issues concerned the future shape of Britain's maridine contribution. of Britain's maritime continuum, All the major waspons platforms of maritime warfare—nircraft, surface ships and submarines—have a cominuing part to play, complementing one another.

The Government believes that a chief in emphasis is inferenced. from the present four armoured divisions each of two brigades to three armoured divisions each of the present of the present of The Government believes that a shift in emphasis is injescapable for a country like British which simply cannot afford to maintain large numbers of every type of platform at the highest standards which the adversary's developing capability requires.

Capability requires.

If we are to maintain and improve these capabilities, we can-

Not at the same time sustain a surface fleet of the full present size:

tain 2 figure of about Vi. The change will be made many by disposing early of older and more

lion pounds and due to bring into service some 20 new surface warships over the next five years. All these orders will go abead. these orders will go abead.

But sustaining the fleet at its present size under our present practice requires in addition a massive and costly continuing programme of refit and modernization, backed by a very extensive infra-structure. (Typically, modernizing a Leander frigate can cost £70m, which is more than our trace cost £70m, which is more than our trace.

design.) A rather smaller but modern fleet with less heavy over-heads will give better value It is clear that the maritime parrol aircraft remains a highly effective instrument; that in the effective instrument: that in the Nimrod, particularly with the Nimrod, particularly with the extensive Mark II conversion, we have an exceptionally capable aircraft for the role; and that the very advanced Sting Ray lightweight torpedo will give it a great striking power against submarines. We plan to increase the Nimrod fleet by completing and bringing into operation, with the full Mark II equipment, the three remaining Mark I airframes, making a total of 34 Mark II Nimrods. For attack

on surface ships we shall provide a new air-launched guided missile a new air-launched guided missile of substantial range. Subject to the satisfactory completion of contract negotiations, we intend to order British Aerospace's Sea Eagle system. Increase in the Nimrod fleet

We intend to retain the Buc-caneer as the carrier of this missile; the missile's own capa-bility for location and attack will make it unnecessary to rely on the more advanced penetration capability of Tornado, which can thus be used in maximum mumbers for other roles (though we do not exclude the possibility of its maritime use with Sea Eagle). The ethancaments in the Line. The enhancements in the United Kingdom-based interceptor and tanker forces noted above will be available also for maritime appli-Cation.

Our most powerful vessels for

maritime war are our nuclear-propelled attack submarines (SSNs), soon to be equipped with the anti-surface-ship guided missile Sub-Harpoon. There are 12 at present in service, and the fleet will build up further to 17. An order worth £177m is now being placed for the next Trafal-gar-class boat to be built by Vickers (Barrow). We intend also to proceed with the new class of diesel powered

submarines (SSKs)—which may have considerable export potential and will if possible introduce these at the rate of one per year. Both SSNs and SSKs will be equipped later in the 1980s with new heavyweight torpedo of high performance: we are considering the choice of design.
The new carrier Ark Royal will be completed as planned, but we latend to keep in service in the long term only two of the three long term only two of the three ships of this class. The older carrier Hermes will be phased out as soon as the second of the new shios is operational.

Final decisions have yet to be taken on whether to procure a new large ani-submarine heli-

Copier to replace the Sea King.
We have at present 59 destroyers and frigates declared to
Nato. We shall now seek to sus-

manpower-intensive ships, for example from among the Robessy and Leander classes, and things their withdrawal so far as you We will place some ships, with-out further modernization, in the

standby squadron, where they will still be available as part of our force deciaration to Nato. There will be a reduction of four operational Royal Fleet Auxiliaries by We shall accelerate to the maximum possible extent the entry frigates to a new design, the Type 23. This will be simpler and cheap-

er than the Type 22, and its characteristics will be framed with an eye to the export market as well as Royal Navy needs. Meanwhile another Type 22, the seventh, is being ordered from Yarrows on the Clyde at a cos-of £125m; further study is needed to determine whether there should be subsequent orders, and if as how many. There will be no mort orders for Type 42 air defence destroyers after the seven now being built, and plans for major mid-life modernization of those already acquired and for a successor type will be abundanced.

cessor type will be abandoned. The Sting Ray iterpedo programme will provide powerful nev anti-submarine weapens for our surface ships and their helicoptes, as well as for the Ninrods. Changes in many steas of he world, together with growing Soviet military reach and readires to exploit it directly or indirectly.

make it increasingly necessar for Nato members to ktok to Western security concerns over wider field than before. The Royal Navy has particularly valuable role. W intend to resume from 1982 anwirds the practice of sending a sustantial naval task group on long detachment for visits and exercises in the South Arlantic Cabbeau. the South Atlantic, Cambbean, Indian Ocean or further est. We intend to make particular ise of the new carriers, with Sea Buriers

deployment.

manpower targets, reflecting changes in the front line. Royl Navy numbers required will greduced by between about 8.00 to 10.000 by 1985, partly through the surface fleet contraction and partly through curring out DOST partly through cutting out posts and establishments ashore undertaking more training alimi-Over the same period And numbers will be reduced by up to about 7,000 and Royal Air Furthumbers by about 2,500. All these reductions will be made so far as possible through natural wisting and cateful control of recruitment. and careful control of recruitmed it will be impossible to sustain or justify a dockyard organization of the present size, in view of the great reduction in refits and militie modernizations. The Government has concluded that the minutes and the many base and the Base and base and the Royal Dockyard Chatham will have to closs 1984; and consideration will given to alternative ways fulfilling the Government's obis tion to support the economy Gibraltar if it is decided that dockyard work there cannot

kept up indefinitely.
In addition, there will be very sharp reduction in the sort and volume of dockyard work a Portsmouth.
We shall have to close a sure stantial number of naval shows and fuel depots, including these Deptford Invergordon Deck

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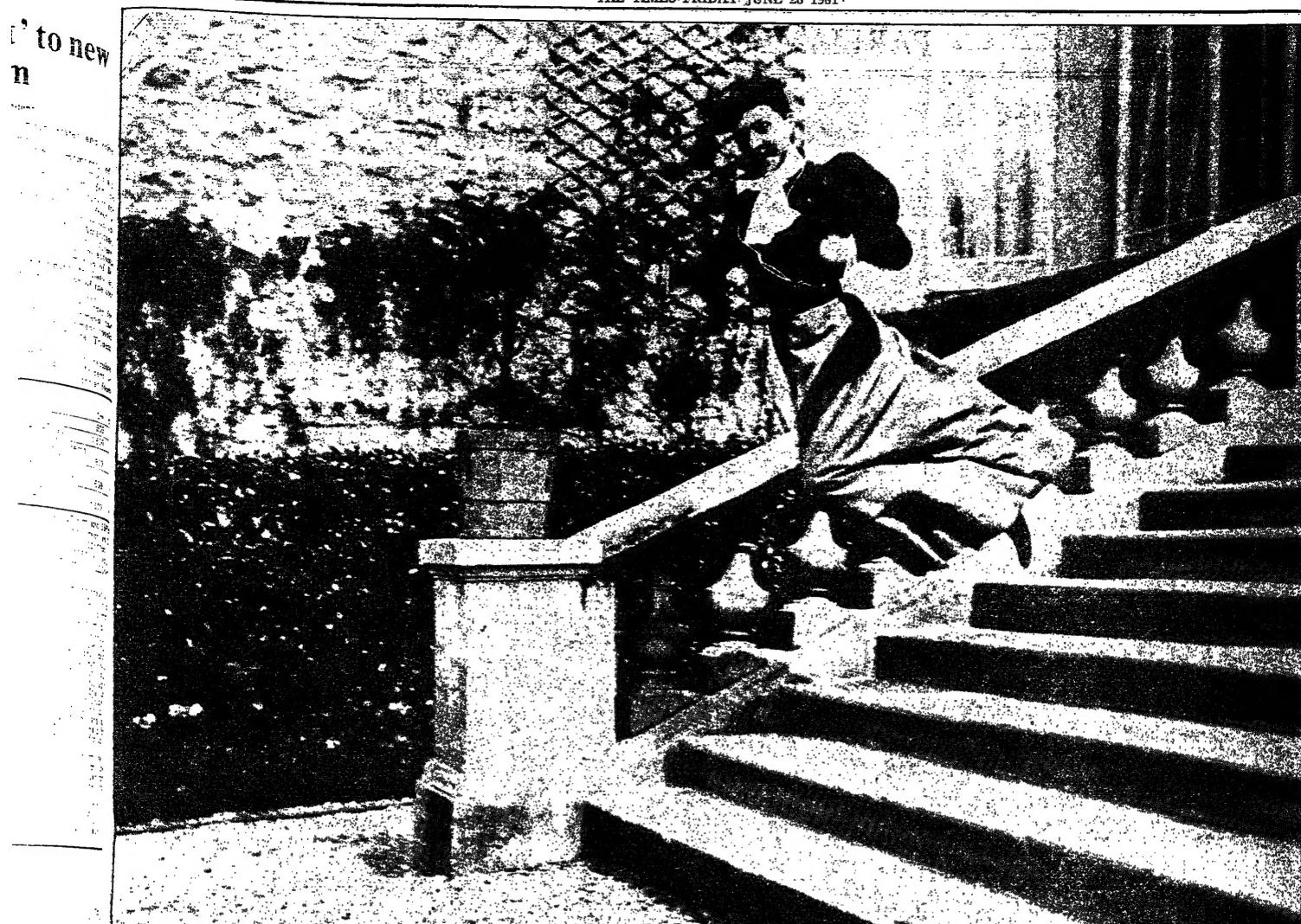
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# "PHOTOGRAPHY IS A MAGIC THING.. NOTHING WILL EVER BE AS MUCH FUN?

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# Chatham to close in defence shake-up

The manpower strength of the Royal Navy is to be cut by between 8,000 and 10,000 by the end of 1984 and the Army by 7,000 under the major reorganization of Britain's defence forces outlined in the Commons today in a statement by Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence.

Mr Nott announced that the base and dockyard at Chatham would have to close in 1984 and work at Portsmouth dockyard would con-tract severely although the naval base would be retained.

Subject to final negotiations, Britain would sign in Washington an agreement for the joint manufacture with the United States of the AVSB, the advanced Harrier. Britain would order 60 sizeraft for close support and there should be about \$1,000m of work for British Industries.

There would be five more nu-lear powered attack submarines clear powered attack submarines and he announced the order for the next boat costing £177m had been placed today with Vickers at

As for aurface ships, it was in-tended to go ahead with existing orders for 20 new warships valued at £2,000m and would place the order for a further Type 22 anti-submarine frigate costing £125m with Yarrows on the Clyde. The Ark Royal would be com-leted but the carrier Hermes would be phased out.

Mr Nott said: The Government has reviewed the defence programme; and a full account of our conclu-sions is contained in a White Paper. The Government intends to honour the Nato aim of 3 per cent real growth in defence expenditure and has, exceptionally, taken a firm decision now to plan to implement the increase until 1985-86.

a full four years forward—and two years beyond the published plans for public spending generally. This may mean that defence absorbs an even greater share of ausorus an even prester share of our gross domestic product; and while it will be necessary to curb several of our forward plans and aspirations, the additional funding should enable us to embance our front-line capability above its pre-sent level in many areas.

The House knows of our basic problems, which are not unique to Britain. We have a defence programme which is unbalanced and over-extended. Last year we suffered from severe cash problems; and similar difficulties are already. emerging in the current year.

but to move towards a better-balance between the various com-poneuts of our effort—front-line numbers, quantity and quality in equipment, and military and civil-

And we must determine this balance in terms of real defence capability, rather than as the outof a debilitating argument each . Service's budgetary

defence of the United Kingdom itself especially in its role as a crucial reinforcement base for Nato. We have looked first at the

need to give greater emphasis to our reserve forces. For the Ter-ritorial Army, whose readiness and efficiency were vividiy shown in Exercise Crusader, I intend a pro-gressive increase in numbers of some 15,000 men and women and there will also be an increase in training days from 38 to 42 a year.

We will order new minesweepers for the Royal Naval Reserve as soon as resources permit; and we will expand the use of Royal Air Force Regiment reserves in airfield protection. In United Kingdom air defence —a priority requirement—we will sustain all the programmes already in hand, including the Nimrod

in hand, including the removed early warning system and the doubling of modern air-to-air missile stocks.

As a new enhancement we will provide Sidewinder air-to-air missiles for a further 36 of our Hawk aircraft, making 72 Hawks in air aircraft, making 72 Hawks in air missile to suprement further aircraft. available to supplement our fighter force; we will run on two Phantom squadrons instead of phasing them out as had earlier been planned when the air defence verrather than the strike version; and we will substantially increase the VC10 tanker fleet which multiplies our fighter force by prolonging Around our coasts, we will Article our coasts, we will increase our capability to counter enemy mining, and we have set aside funds for enhancing our defensive mining capacity, to help secure our ports and maritime

I turn next to our major and-air contribution on the Coutinent of Europe. BAOR's manpower, which is above our Brussels Treaty commitment of \$5,000 men, will return to that level. But we will retain in Germany our full pre-sent combat fighting strength of eight brigades and our responsi-bility for the forward defence of bility for the forward defence of vital 65 kilometres of the central

a vital 65 kilometres of the centres front.

We intend however to withdraw from Germany one divisional headquarters and other supporting staff with a consequent reduction in the number of locally employed civilians; and this, together with other necessary economics, will enable us to move over the next five years towards a slightly smaller 'Regular Army of '135,000 trained men, 7,000 less than at present, but partly balanced by the increase in the Territorial Army.

Suggestions have been made, I Suggestions have been made, I know, that we should go for a much greater reduction in our troops in Germany. But quite spart from the fact that there is no one else to perform our task of the else to perform our task of defending 65 kilometres of the central front, it would be much more expensive to bring the troops home, because we simply could not house or train them here with-

#### Joint manufacture of new Harrier

Only disbandment would relieve our budgetary pressures and we cannot prudently cut our army below a certain minimum level. But the small reduction in regu-lar army manpower which I pro-pose will help us to afford, as is our intention, the very wide range of reequipment projects now envisaged for BAOR.

The scale or timing of some of the projects will be modified, projects will be morned; partly to restrain costs but mainly to provide for a further increase in war stocks and ammunition, to improve the combat endurance, the staying power, of 1st-British Corps, which will be substantially enhanced.

The Challenger tank will equip four armoured regiments. New night sights for missile systems and tanks will be introduced and improvements will be made both to the present Chelenger. course to Challenger.

We will bring into service the cond Chinook belicopter squadsecond Chinook helicopter squad-ron to enhance Army, logistic support and mobility.

We shall introduce the tracked version of the Rapier missile sys-tem and the TOW anti-tank mis-sile launched from Lynx helicop-

to final negotiations, we should shortly be signing, in Washington, an agreement with the United

an agreement with the United States Government for the joint manufacture with the United States of the AVSB, the advanced Harrier. This has turned out to be an agile and effective aircraft. with a substantial weapon-carrying ability; and we plan to order 60 aircraft for close air support. Within the total Anglo-American programme of some 400 aircraft we are looking for a 40 per cent share for British Aerospace, and a 75 per cent share for Rolls-Royce on the engine. There should be something like a billion pounds' worth of work for British industry, the bulk of it for export to the United States.

I have decided that we cannot

I have decided that we cannot afford early replacement of the laguar, though possibilities remain open for new combar aircraft in the longer term, perhaps through international collaboration. On the other hand, we must exploit our investment in Tornado — some £10,000m at current prices. We will continue with the JP233 acquire new weapons to equip Tornado in an anti-armour role and for suppressing enemy air

At sea, the Royal Navy will con-tinue with the key task of provid-ing a strategic nuclear force by the modernization of the Polaris force with the Trident system. We have maintained one Polaris We have maintained one Polaris boat on station continuously for the past 12 years. the past 12 years.

One Trident submarine, invulnerable to any pre-emprive strike,
will carry up to 128 independently
targeted warheads which can hold
at risk targets over a vast area of
the Soviet Union. No enhance-

the Soviet Union. No enhance-ment of our conventional forces could possibly prove of equal deterrent value, lu a world where nuclear weapons cannot be dis-invented, it is the United King-don's surest way of preserving peace. But we must also keep strong

the three conventional elements of power at sea. of power at sea.

In maridme air, in addition to present plans, we will fit a further three Ninrods, making 34 in all, to the full Mark II equipment standard, which is as great a leap in technology over the Mark I as the Mark I was over the Shackleton. Armed with our sting Ray torpedo the Mark II will have great striking power against submarines.

We will proceed with a new stand off and-ship missile, to be delivered by Buccaneers—which we will keep on for this task—or by Tornado.

Subject to the satisfactory cons-

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pletion of contract negotiations, we intend to acquire British Aero-space's Sea Eagle anti-ship missile. space's Sea Eagle anti-ship missile.

We will increase our fleet of
nuclear-powered attack sobmarines, newly equipped with
Sub-Harpoon—from the present
twelve to seventeen; I have today
confirmed the order with Vickers
at Barrow of another submarine
at a cost of £177m.

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We will also proceed as fast as possible with a new and more effective class to replace our present ageing diesel-powered submarines; these should also have a market overseas. We will acquire the proceeding the proceeding the contraction of the contract overseas. a new heavyweight torpedo for all our boats, and are considering alternative British and American designs for this. Overall our maritime air and submarine capability will be much

As regards surface ships we will go ahead with all the very large orders—20 new warships, to a value, with their weapons, of about £2,000m—already in hand about 12,000 and and shall be placing an order for a further Type 22 anti-submarine frigate at a cost of £125m, which will sustain work at Yarrows on the

We are placing an order for five patrol craft with Hall Russell of Aberdeen for service in Hong Kong. I believe we must make thanges here in a number of

First, if we want to build a reasonable number of new ships in the future, we must devise much cheaper and simpler designs than the Type 22 frigate. We must accelerate urgently, and I have provided funds in this programme for this, a new type of auti-submarine frigate, the Type 23 built with an eye to export as well as to Royal Navy needs, for we have not sold a major British warship of Royal Navy design for over a decade. I intend to pursue as well the possibility of still more cost-

#### effective, smaller, ships than the Type 23. Ark Royal to

be completed

Second we only maintain our surface fleet at its present full strength through a continuous programme of refits and major mid-life modernisations of older ships, requiring a huge and costly dockyard infrastructure. Typically it can now cost up to

From to modernise an old Leander frigate which is actually more than our target for the new Type 23 frigate. If we are to be able to build very many areas, but with a major reduction in the supporting infra-structure of defence. new ships in our shipyards and fulfil other priority defence tasks, we simply cannot afford to sustain



Nott: Orders for ships

such a policy of rafit and modernization—or for that matter maritime air defence al present level, where the planned forward investment in major equipment for the air defence of warships at sea has been about double that for the air defence of the United Kingdom itself. the United Kingdom itself.

It is for reasons like these that whilst we shall complete the new-Ark Royal, we intend to keep in service in the longer-term only, two of the ships of this class, with their heavy demands on supporting and-submarine air defence escorts. The older carrier Hermes will be phased out as soon as the second of the new Carriers is in operation.

Overall we will try to hold the destroyer and frigate force declared to Nato at around 50 ships. compared to 59 ships at present. This will be achieved by disposing early of older and more manpower-intensive ships, for example from the County, Rothered and Leander classes. and say and Leander classes, and timing their withdrawal so far as possible to avoid major relit or modernization. We shall place some of these

ships, without further moderniza-tion, in the Standby squadron where they will still be available, though at longer notice, as part of our force declaration to Nato-

tion in target numbers of the Royal Navy will be between 8,000 and 10,000 men by the end of 1985, rather more than the reductions of 7,000 in the Army. We will maintain the three Royal Marine Commendos since we place. great value on their unique capa-bility; but we will dispose of the two specialist amphibious ships rather earlier than planued. In consultation with the United States Secretary for Defence about these changes, I have indicated our wish to play an enhanced role alongside our allies, outside the boundaries of the Nato area.

We envisage resuming the deployment of naval task groups centred sometimes around a carrier, sometimes around des-troyers or frigates—for substainful periods on visits and exercises out of area. We have made specific provision in our programme for the extra costs of such deploy-

We are continuing with our plans designating an Army field command to plan out of area continuency tasks; for providing an extra stockpile of equipment and giving our Hercules aircraft the equipment needed for a coordinated assault by parachute

As regards support, the change in policy on refits which I have described earlier will mean that we cannot justify keeping a dock-yard organization of its present

I regret to inform the House that the base and dockyard in Chatham will have to close in 1984; work at Portsmouth Dock-yard will contract very severely, though the Naval base will be retained; and consideration will be given to alternative ways of fulfilling the Government's obliga-tion to support the economy of Gibraltar if it is decided that the dockyard work there cannot be kept up indefinitely.

We shall consult closely with the Gibraltar Government about how best to deal with the situa-

tion.

Much more naval training will take place at sex, and there will be a reduction in shore-based navel establishments, stores and fuel depots. Overall civilian numbers in the Ministry of Defence will fall by between 15,000 and 20,000 as a result of all our measures. measures.
Our total workforce will in due course be significantly below 208,000. Redundancies will, I am afraid, be inescapable.
I have described to the House the main thrust of what we propose—and the substantial enhancement of our frontline capability in the super many areas, but with a major

# Dockyard MPs united in opposition to cutbacks

#### QUESTIONS

There were grave implications for the nation's defences in the state-ment just delivered by Mr Nott, Mr Brymnor John, chief Opposi-tion spokesman on defence, said when questioning the Secretary of State for Defence.

When distance.

He said: The question of funds available and what we can afford has been the subject of debate, yet in no particular did Mr Nott mention one single figure.

How much is all this exercise going to save, as compared with the published programme of the Conservative Government?

How much is going to be saved next year, up to the year 1985 and up to the end of the decade when the Trident costs will start to bulge?

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What percentage of the gross domestic product does be envisage defence having in the programme years? He said it might need a high percentage. Given that under the dead hand of the Tory Government GDP is not likely to rise in the immediate future, how much of the GDP which is available is going to be taken up by defence?

He has amnounced what appeared to be a reduction of 59 to 50 ships, but he will know that the

appeared to be a reduction of 59 to 50 ships, but he will know that the gross number of ships in the Navy is irrelevant. What is important is how many ships are in the front line and how many in reserve.

Will he confirm or deny that all of the 50 ships will be in the front line or will some he put in mothline, or will some be put in moth-balls to be called if necessary, or are we reducing our total front fleet to the 30 surface ships talked

fleet to the 30 surface ships talked about in the press?

Are the three through deck cruisers to be sold or arrapped?

On the 8,000-10,000 naval redundancies, and the 7,000 in the Army, will be say how he proposes to deal with these redundancies? Where are they coming from? Are they coming across the board?

Does be have any plans to get rid of the extraordinary numbers of of the extraordinary numbers of senior naval officers still in the Admirably despite the fact that the fieet size has shrunk so crucially?

On the job implications of the closure of Chatham dockyard, we see in that area an unemployment rate of 14.3 per cent. If Chatham is closed that will be up to 25 per cent, and with the indirect conse-quences may be up to 33 per cent. cent, and with the indirect conse-quences may be up to 33 per cent.
At the same time we will be losing the greatest source of expertise in SSN refitting in the Navy.

What does he propose to do about this, and about Portsmonth?

Does he propose to have any special schemes to be launched for

and how many are new if, as I suspect there are no new orders for British Shipbuilders, what effect will that have upon British Shipbuilders? Will that mean their corporate plan has to be scrapped?
It is clear to even the most loyal thinking and pliant Government supporter that what we are hearing is the first instalment which con-ventional defence has to pay because of the Trident missile system fitting into the defence review. This defence review has been shamelessly rigged in that the Tri-dent efficacy has never been called into question. What we are doing. by lowering our conventional war-fare and conventional capability, is

lowering the nuclear threshold.

We are abandoning the Nuto
priority which is that of strengtheming non-nuclear force as ening non-nuclear. opposed to nuclear. In the associated this piece of unclear folly, will be take note that the next Labour Government will? Mr Nott: We are not attempting to save anything. We are spending more on defence, which was the central part of my statement. On the percentage of GDP, that

central part of my statement. On the percentage of GDP, that depends on how tast GDP grows. (Labour laughter.)

Alt 50 ships will be available to Nato and will all be in the Nato operational category, although it is true to say that eight of them will be on the standby squadron. All 50 will be regarded as being in the Nato operational category.

We do not need to take any decisions on the catrier at the moment. HMS Ark Royal will not be completed until 1985-86 and we will have to take a decision around that time about the third ASW carrier. The reduction in numbers will

natural wastage. I cannot exclude some redundancies because it is essential that we keep the balance of the forces correct, and that we have a good balance of recruitment and professional skills within the

and professional skins which the forces.

I regret the closure of Chatham. The refit of the nuclear submarines and other nuclear refits will in future be done in Devouport and Rosythe. I announced new shipping orders today which will be welcomed by British Shipbinders. On Trident, over the whole period of this Government between our achievements already and our forward plans for defence spending, and the implications of the Labour Party policy of reducing the share of our GDP to the European Nato average, the difference in the amount of money between our proposals and the Labour Party's proposals of the European Nato average is £20,000m.

That is enough to pay for Tri-dent four times over. How he can have the temerity to talk to me about jobs in the defence industry

Mrs Peggy Fenner (Rochester and Chatham, C): Does Mr Nott believe that the people of Rochester and Chatham elected me Rochester and Chatham elected me to support a Government that would do this to their dockyard? He need not answer that. They did not and I do not.

What are his plans in terms of the time factor? How long have we to fight this diabolical decision?

What are his plans for the 7,000 workforce and their great expertise—45 per tent of their work dedicated to submarine refitting?

How does it happen in the re-

How does it happen in the re-alignment of the surface fleet, that this religing is removed from Chatham when they have worked up such expertise in this matter? Mr Nott: Our plans are for the dockward and naval base at Chatham to close in 1984. I quite understand Mrs Fenner feels strongly and I naturally regret I have had to make this amounce-

ment.
Over the next few months we will have discussions with the employees and their representatives to see how we can do this rundown in the fairest and most effective way.



Fenner: A diabolical Mr Edward Du Cann (Taunton, C) chairman of the Conservative back bench 1922 Committee: While strongly supporting the while strongly supporting the determination of Mr Nott to obtain continuously value for money in defence expenditure which is much needed and often reported upon by Commons select

clear assurances.

First, that our maritime capacity, including the capacity for relicing, is adequate to safeguard Britain's maritime trade routes upon which the economic performance of this country will always depend in peace and war.

Second, that hydrographic department of the Royal Navy, which is important for strategic and commercial reasons, will not only be maintained, but extended.

Mr Nott: We will retain an adeclear assurances. . .

maintained, but extended.

Mr Nort: We will retain an adequate capacity for refitting the fleet over the next decade. I cannot undertake that the hydrographic fleet will be extended, but I would like to deal with this matter when we have the debate. matter when we have the debate.
Mr Bonner Pink (Portsmouth
South, C): The closing of Chatham
and the reduction at Portsmouth
will have severe repercussions in
both ports. He should ensure Ministry of Defence contracts are
placed in the Portsmouth area, in
particular with Vosper Thorneycroft and Marconi.
He should continue close colla-

boration with local representatives to ensure the least hardship is suffered in these most regrettable

Mr Nett: The only way we can afford to go and build new ships for the Royal Navy is by cutting down on the support costs of the existing arrangements.

Portsmouth will remain a major naval base and there is a tremen

dons concentration of the defence industry there. One of the things I have attempted to do is to avoid substantial cut backs on procure-ment. I can only do that if I look to savings in the support structure and this is what I have done. and this is what I have done.

Mr Frederick Mulley, (Sheffield Park, Lab), a former Secretary of State for Defence: Can he give the reasons why he thinks it wise to reduce the Army by 7,000 in the light of the enormous burden of Northern Ireland?

How many of the M23 frigates have been ordered? We will not hell any unless we have them at-

have been ordered? We will not sell any unless we have them already down the line and have a shorter delivery time. Does be intend them for export or for the Royal Navy?

What is he doing to encourage our Nato allies to increase expenditure? What are their feelings about our expensive Trident programme which is not justified against Britain's general economic background?

background?
Mr Nott: That might be his view, but it is not the view of our Nato allies who welcome the Government's decision to modernize the strategic nuclear deterrent. While he was Secretary of State, he was filmself modernizing the strategic deterrent with Chevroline.

strategic deterrent with Chevic-line.
Of course I would prefer to in-crease the size of the Army rather than diminish it, but I regret that it simply is not possible, with cost escalation of equipment as it is at the moment, both to main-tain the enhancement of our wespons system in Germany and also to retain the full present size of the regular army.

The Type-23 frigate is still at the design stage and we are trying to get plans ready as soon as possible, but it will be somewhere between a year and 18 months until we can place the first order. first order.

Mr Peter Griffiths (Portsmouth, North, C): The use of the term "contraction" about Portsmouth Dockyard is no comfort to the thousands of people who will lose their jobs with no prospect of alternative employment in the The deterioration in morale

within the dockyard which will ensue from today's statement will mean that an orderly contraction will be difficult to obtain Mr Nott: I agree it will be a severe contraction at Portsmouth. We will try to make it as orderly as possible. I believe that when

In that area.

Dr David Owen (Plymouth, Devonport, SDP): Despite the painful consequences of some of these decisions, Mr Nott is to be congratulated for at long last, after two years of total unreality in the defence budget, grappling with the central need to start to control it.

He will be supported in that. He will be supported in that, and in particular in his decision to slim down the British Army of the Rhine and to concentrate the

How can be justify his decision to reduce the surface ships and yet not increase the building rate of the hunter-killer nuclear sub-

even the present spending on that basis, and we still feel that he is wrong to pursue the Trident modernization programme. Mr Nott: I do not think I can comment further on Trident at the moment as there will be a debate. On the SSN hunter-killer

debate. On the SSN hunter-killer nuclear submarins, it was proposed it would be in the fleet by 1990, not how many orders we would place between now and then. We now have 12 and will have 17 by 1990.

There is a contraction in the overall size of the surface fleet, but this was not a strategic decision. It was merely a consequence of feeling that we could no longer afford the dockyard infrastructure of the size we have got and therefore the continuing modernization. fore the continuing modernization of the old Leander frigates. If you take capability as opposed to separate service votes. I have calculated that over the next It will vary year by year.

Ex-defence chief attacks



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John: Grave implications

decade, as a result of these pro-posals, we can expect a shift in planned allocations of only about 3 per cent from maritime to land/ air capabilities. The shift is not as great if you look at capability as opposed to actual service boxes. Mir Kenneth Warren (Hastings, C): What is being done within the Ministry of Defence to the Ministry or Detence to improve efficiency and particularly in examining the terms. conditions and specifications which are imposed on suppliers? Mr Nott: There is a great deal of change and improvement needed in contracts and the manner in which we procure new equipment. We need to bring in industry earlier with its own

Mr Robert Brown (Newcastle upon Tyne, West, Lab): The corporate plan presented by British Shipbuilders to the trade unions was conditional on approxi-mately 18,000 employees being transferred from merchant ship-ping to naval work. How can the

What future can be offer to Tyne? He could scrap the navy completely and rebuild it with modern purpose-built ships for the cost of Trident.

Mr Nott: There is bound to be in the next few years a shift into new defence technology which is less labour intensive, away from labour intensive warship building investment.

yards are at stake as well. Mr Nott: In terms of money, the amount that Trident is going to cost in the next few years is not more than a couple of hundred million pounds on average against a total budget of £12,500m.

It is simply nonsense to suggest that if we do not have Trident, that programme and the changes which I have announced today would not have been essential. Mr Keith Speed (Ashford, C):
What number of destroyers and
frigates will be disposed of or
placed into reserve over the next
five years? I do not think it is
just a question of 59 to 50. Mc Nott: By the mid 1980s we will have got rid of most County and all the Rothesay class and

some of the Leanders. That is about 20 old ships in all. We expect to place some eight Lean-ders in the standby squadron. The 20 ships that will go in the next five years will have reached the end of their life. They will be replaced by 20 ships which are in the shipyards now and the new ships which are coming forward.

Of the reduction from 59 to 50 sonadron. I do not seek to hid there will be some reduction is the overall readiness because the standby squadron is at 30 days' readiness of the fleet.

Mr Nott added that there would ment with British industry.

The defence industries (he said) will be making in buying defeate equipment in the future.

Sir Frederick Burden (Gillingham C), who said Chatham Dockyard was in his constituency, went on:

This is the most distressing day I years it has built up a service to the nation, especially to the Flexi-I believe there is a gut reaction among many people against the cuts he is making in the Royal Nary, Unless he can give an assurance there will be no war within the next 20 years, this cut in the RN is very dangerous. I cannot support this defence policy.

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# Mr. Nott: I understand that be finds this a distressing day. It is a very distressing matter for Chatham and I genuinely regret it. The job losses will be about 7,000. We will do our best to hold the state of the

In the face of assertions by Labour MPs that plans for changes in the agricultural holdings legislation would result in two classes, of tenant farmers. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, appealed for a bipartisan approach towards the proposals put forward by the National Parmers Union and the Country Landowners' Association.

constructive discussion, in particular on the importance of improving the opportunities for young farmers to enter agriculture. Mr. Thomas Torney (Bradford. South. Lab): It these proposals were carried into lesislative form they would result in two classes of tenant farmers—one with succession rights and the other with those succession rights excessly excluded.

Mr Walker: I hope before MPs or cither side come to firm conclusions on this, they will realize that both the majority of tenants and the majority of landowners agreed a balance of proposals which they considered were good for the in-

We should carefully examine these proposals and try to come to a solution which is good for the a solution which is good for the industry.

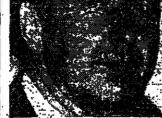
Mr Iain Mills (Meriden, C): There is a burning need to help young farmers to obtain opportunities in farms. There is also a need for a

have come to us calling for urgent actions were the young farmers clubs, many of which would like opportunities that at present are not available.

upon. All of us who are interested in the future of British agriculture should exemine these joint propo-sals carefully.

sals carefully.

Mr Gavin Strang, an Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Edinburgh, East, Lab): The agreement as presently constructed envisages two classes of tenancy—one protected by Labour legislation where the son would have the right to succeed the tenant farmer on his death, and the other protected by Conservative legislation where the family would have no right to follow the deceased tenant farmer.



Walker: Bipartisan

Mr Walker : I do not think that is an accurate description. As yet there is no Conservative legisla-tion. I have not accepted these uld have a detailed examination of every one of the proposals and of the consequences that would result.

We want to see opportunities for young people to enter the industry we also want a basis for tenants which are both effective and sensible.

# glasshouses

The Government was having talks with the National Coal Board to see what could be done over heating for the glasshouse industry in the Yorkshire area, Mr. Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said during Questions.

determined to dominate the market in Northern Europe by any means fair or foul.

The minister should consider the imposition of countervailing changes if the glassbouse sector was to survive. Mr Walker: We want to see if there can be improvements made in capital grants and if it can be used for glassbouse heating in that was on a seconding in that area on an economic and

present.
In fairness to the Dutch Government, they had recently put up gas prices substantially. Later propo-sals might well compensate for that. If they did, it would be wrong

and the Government would have to consider what action the Commis-sion and the Government would farmers to obtain opportunities in farms. There is also a need for a bipartisan approach to give stability to young people's future in farming.

Ref. Walker: This is an important aspect. Almost the first people to the rigidity of the present law aspect. Almost the first people to the rigidity of the present law aspect. It was important not to enter a war of countervailing duties which could do considerable damage to United Kingdom trade in Europe and to

# Terrorists in

Mr Whitelaw (Penrith and the Border, C) said in moving the amendment to Clause 1 (Disqualification of certain offenders for membership of the House of Com-mons) that the purputs was to extend disqualification for elec-tion, nomination and membership of the Commons to the Republic of

Originally the Government believed it right for the Bill to cover prisons under its control in the United Kingdom. But there had been strong feeling in the second reading debate on the Bill that it should be extended. For the sake Mr Roy Hattersely, chief Opposi-tion spokesman on home affairs, (Birmingham, Sparkbrook, Lab) said that without the amendment, the Bill would have been a non-Secretary's initial reluctance to in-clude the Republic. An extra-ordinary state of affairs had been reached where the government of a foreign power had the ability to

Mr Douglas Hogg (Grantham, C)

not a manufacture to the dis-qualification from being nominated should not be effective until the appeal of a person convicted had here heart!

ticality.
What had to be considered was the time scale. Although the time for apeal in Epogland, Wales and Northern Ireland was 28 days, leave could be given to appeal out of time. Then there were further processes of appeal and even with the concration of the courts, this could stretch out to more than a

ifweemiqbooe of someone who was actually serving a prison sentence of more than a year being able to campaign because he could say he was going to determine who or who does not stand in a British parliamentary election. I think that is wrong in

principle, as I think the Bill is wrong in principle.

Sir John Biggs-Davison (Epping Forest, C) said that he welcomed the smendment. The Republic had notice relationship with the been said. He had never acknow. mr Mayhew said that the Government would consider what had been said. He had never acknowledged this would be other than rough justice.

rough justice.

The amendment was rejected by 137 votes to 53—Government majority, 84.

The clause as amended was carried by 151 votes to 45—Government majority, 106. The report stage was concluded and the Bill read the third time by 144 votes to 36—Government majority, 108.

#### Censure move on Heseltine

The main business in the House of Commons next week will be: Monday: Debate on the problems of Yorkshire and Humberside. Tuesday: Debate on the conduct of the Secretary of State for the Environment Wednesday: Debate on the car ladustry.
Thursday: Motions on Northern
Ireland (Emergency Provisions)
Act 1978 (Continuance) Order and
Interim Period Extension Order.

Friday: Debate on the disabled.
The main business in the House of Lords will be:
Monday: Armed Forces Bill and
Zon Licensing (No 2) Bill, second
readings. Debate on discounted alr
includes. tickets.
Tuesday: Employment and Train-

report (first day.)
Friday: Disabled Persons (No 2)
Bill, report and third reading.
Town and Country Planning (Minerals) Bill, Commons amendments.

Commons (9.30): Debate on report of committee on obscenity and film ceasorship. Lords (11): Private Members' Bills: Indecent Displays (Control) Sill, report and Horcrace Betting Levy Bill, third reading.

#### savage reduction in RN **HOUSE OF LORDS**

reduction in the Rows Normal Lond
Hill-Norton, former First Sea Lord
and Chief of the Decending
said during questions in the House
of Lords where Viscount Trenchard, Minister of State for
Defence Procurement, repeated Mr
Nort's statement. A debate on
defence has been arranged for
Monday, July 20.
Lord Peart, Leader of Opposition
Peers (Lab) said it was a grave and
serious statement. Trident would

not assessed

distort defence policy.

Lord Kennet (SDP): Trident is a monstrous and lethal pet which will be devouring everything in succeeding years. Viscount Trenchard: Expenditure on Tornado over the whole period at £10,000m, twice the estimate on Trident, merely shows that all modern weaponry is highly expen-

Right Rev David Say) said the closure of Chatham Dockyard was Riseous news, not only for the Royal Navy, but for employment in the Medway Towns.

Lord Hill-Norton: Whatever may have been said to the Secretary of State in the United States, Bonn or Brussels, it is within my knowledge that there is no other nary which can fill the gap which, within three years, according to the statement, will appear in the North Atlantic especially in that part of it for which this country has been responsible since the North Atlantic there was signed 23 years 220. tic treaty was signed 32 years 220-Viscount Trenchard: He suggested that the cut falls on the Royal Navy. This is a cut in numbers caused by the enhancement of fire power which modern weapons and the modern threat make necessary. The suggested cut is in the sufface fleet. Expansion will continue, in submarines and maritime aircraft.

#### Carlton Club The Carlton Club would not be

considered similar to a trade union, Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) 4 member of the club, was told. He had asked why subscriptions paid subscriptions were.

scheme, deals with special cduct-tional needs and provides for parantal choice, was read a second time:

The Countryside (Scotland) Bill passed report stage.

213.6 sion of Tornado comes in : we will 321.4

Succession rights in farming **AGRICULTURE** 

Mr Walker (Worcester, C) said par Walker (Worcester, C) said that the Secretary of State for Wales (Mr Nicholas Edwards) and himself had met the presidents of the NFU and the CLA earlier this month to discuss the joint proposals of the union and the association for changes in the agricultural holdings legislation. There was a Constructive discussion in partic-

Mr Walker : I hope before MPs on

Existing tenants and tenants of the future should have a basis which they are satisfied and agree



approach sought.

I have not come to a conclusion on the form the legislation would take.

which is not only inhibiting to the potential young tenant farmers, but inhibiting to the landowners, some of whom are large corporate landowners, who would like to do more to help young farmers.

Mr Walker: When two years ago we took office we found there were we took office we found there were firm proposals advocated by the representatives of the landowners as to what legislation should take place. The Government took the view that there was no way we would proceed with legislation if there was not the agreement of the NFU and the CLA.

NCB in talks on heating of

Questions.
Mr Stephen Hastings (Mid-Bed-fordshire, C) has said it was clear that the Dutch Government was determined to dominate the

that area on an economic and sensible basis.

Already, some power stations supply heating for the glasshouse industry. There are a range of measures being examined at

#### Republic jails barred **ELECTORAL LAW**

Prisoners serving a sentence of 12 months or more in the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands and the Isla of Man would also be disqualified from membership of the Commons, Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, said when moving an amendment to the Representation of the People Bill at its committee stage. The amendment was carried by 164 votes to 38—Government majority, 126.

Mr Whitelaw (Penrith and the

foreign power had the ability to disqualify a man or woman from election in the United Kingdom.

The Home Secretary should tell the House in some detail exactly how be imagined the Republic would exercise the power it was being given and what procedures would be gone through.

For the first time in our history the said was are providing a

# the amendment. The Republic dad a unique relationship with the United Kingdom. It was menaced by the same terrorism. Mr James Dunn (Liverpool, Kirkdele, Lab) said he supported the intention of the amendment. Unless the loophole was closed there would be ridicule beaped upon the Commons, the Government and the Home Office.

Home Office.

Mr Michael Mates (Petersfield, C) said that this country would depend upon the good will of the Republic to operate properly the part of the Bill dealing with the disqualification of people serving sentences there.

The United Kingdom had a close relationship with the Republic and there was no question that if and when the time came for such a request, k would not be met and answered in the most friendly fashion.

een heard. He said this was not intended to He said this was not intended to frustrate the purposes of the Bill, but to cure an injustice. It was not right that a person should be disqualified when his conviction might subsequently be quashed or the length of his sentence reduced. Mr Patrick Maybew, Minister of State. Home Office, agreed that it was not provided to serve complete. was not possible to serve complete-ly the interests of justice and at the same time the interests of prac-

year.

The amendment would also result in the incongruous situation

ing Bill and Representation of the People Bill, second reading. Wednesday: London Dockland Orders. Forestry Bill, third read-ing. Criminal Attempts Bill, report. Thursday: Representation of the People Bill, committee and re-maining stages. Transport Bill,

Parliament today

# There could be no strategic assessment of the threat which could conceivably justify this sarage reduction in the Royal News, ford



Hill-Norton: Threat

The Trident cost includes the whole cost of bases, including those ashore, and in the Tornado we are no tincluding airfield The Bishop of Rochester (The

The majority of service and civilian advisers of the Secretary of State, within the budget constraints of a 3 per cent increase, have shown support for the kind of emphasis the Secretary of State has decided upon. No VAT relief for

t o non-profit-making clubs were not exempt from VAT as union Lord Cullen of Ashborne, a Lord in Walting, said the National Liberal Club and the Carlton Club-though they had political tests for membership, would not be con-The Education (Scotland) Bill which establishes an assisted places

The Brirish Telecommunications Bill and the Milfor dDocks Bill were read the third time and



#### hardline candidates in poll

. From Dessa Trevisan Warsaw, June 25

Mr Statislaw Kania, the Polish Party leader, has given his personal support to all hardline candidates to ensure their election to the party congress scheduled for July 14.

Yesterday he appealed to the party conference in Poznan to accept the nomination of several personalities who previously were not selected at

Viously were not selected at lower party level.

Today he travelled to Katowice, the capital of Silesia, to help in the reelection of Mr Andrej Zabinski, the first secretary of the region, who is facing several rival candidates.

Mr Kania today recommended him personally for the post but, at the same time, he said that it was up to the elec-

said that it was up to the elec-forate to decide as the Politburo can only recommend and not impose the choice. Mr Kania's new image is increasingly self-confident since

an attempt was made to unseat him during the last Central Committee meeting earlier this

His personal standing has been enhanced and he has now emerged as a politician who knows the rules of power politics, and a man who is also

swinging the party his way.

This is especially important at election time when some of the controversial figures asso-ciated with a more conservative line are being reluctantly accepted to the party rank and

file.

Katowice is of particular importance, and Mr Kania in recommending Mr Zabinski emphasizes that he had personally appointed him first party secretary of the region which means that he enjoys Mr Kania's confidence.

Soviet leaders in their recent letter to the Central Committee

letter to the Central Committee have complained that good Communists are being swept away by alleged anti-socialists.

Since then it has become esential to retain some of the people Moscow wants as a guarantee that the Polish Communist Party will not swing entirely to the side of radical reforms.

But, already, more than half of the first party secretaries in the regions have failed to be reelected and those who replaced them have )now been elected to higher party posts for the first time. Lower down, the change due to genuine elec-

tions is almost total. The result, however, is not a foregone conclusion and 1967 delegates to the congress will decide eventually who will be elected to the Central Commitree as well as to the ruling Politburo.

In Poznan yesterday the party conference which was due to elect further delegates to the congress refused to accept the recommendation of several people to run for the election on the grounds that onl those who have first been elected by their basic organizations are eligible to run for the election

to the party congress. But Mr Kania intervened and in the end his recommendation was accepted, though the candi-dates who have been recommended by central party authority are yet to pass the test.

Allies echo Soviet disquiet.

☐ Poland's East European allies have echoed Soviet anxieties and warnings in letters which have been arriving at the Polish Central Commit-

Patterned on the Soviet letter sent earlier this month, which prompted the Polish leadership to convene the Central Committee, they are clearl yintended to keep up the pressure while the preparations for the party

the preparations for the party congress are in course.

The general trend among them is strongly against any kind of intervention, and disapproval of concessions.

# Kania backs Britain unlikely to accept EEC farm repayment plan

From Michael Hornsby, Brussels, June 25

scheme to compensate Britain for financial loss under the agricultural policy is unlikely to be politically acceptable to the Government. It does not look like yielding enough by itself for full redress of the budgetary grievance.

The Commission that each year Britain should be compensated for the gap between its abnormally low share of agricultural expenditure and its much higher share of the EEC's gross domestic produce (GDP), which is taken as a rough measure of our contribu-tion to the Community's total

Although the Commission produced no figures yesterday it is possible to show what sums of money would have been pro-duced if this mechanism had been applied last year—the fol-lowing calculation being based on sterling's average exchange rate last year.

Britain's share of the EEC's Britam's snare of the EEC's GDP last year was 18.6 per cent. If its share of farm spending had been the same it would have received £1,259m from a total of £6,769m. In fact, Britain received only £487m or 7.2 per cent—a difference of £772m.

The Commission does not propose that this gap should be completely cslosed but that there sebould be "a fairly high level of compensation". Per-haps as high as 85 per cent. On

The European Commission's last year's figures that would have meant compensation of up to £660m.

This compares with the E703m Britain, was reimbursed last year under the temporary three-year deal agreed on May 30. It seems inconceivable that Britain could accept a perman-ent solution less beneficial than

ent solution less beneficial than the existing arrangements. Ideally it would want something better.

So it seems certain that Britain will want the measures to offset inadequate farm receipts to be supplemented by action to reduce its gross contribution to EEC revenue. The Commission has left open the possibility of renewing an existing instrument, in modified form, to achieve this end if it is needed.

There is also some vagueness

There is also some vagueness about the Commission's pro-posals for financing the British compensation. Extra revenue could be created by lifting the current binding one per cent limit on member states' value added tax contributions. But Britain is strongly opposed to

Alternatively, a special levy, weighted acorded to size of per capita GNP could be imposed on member states farm receipts. This would put the main burden on Denmark. Holland, Belgium, France and West Germany but it might not exempt a relatively poor country with big farm receipts, like Ireland, from making a nominal contribution. nominal contribution.



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Looking to the future: Smiling Cambodian children who have survived the horrors of the Pol Pot regime facing adulthood in a country still beset by poverty and disease.

Few homes have electricity or water and corruption is widespread.

#### Ship blast puzzles Dutch experts From Robert Schoil, Amsterdam, June 25

There is still no explanation to the explosion which is searching for five missing men thought to have killed six in the badly-damaged vessel. British maintenance workers yesterday on board the 72,000-ton Greek ore carrier Agies aged 45; B. J. Bellowe, 41; Icannis in Rotterdam harbour. But investigators said they had the impression that the between 40 and 45, and B. Hearne, 35; A. Bowers, aged had the impression that the between 40 and 45, and B. Mine-man maintenance crew had worked with naked flame, despite strict orders to the contrary from the ships master, Captuin Ioannes Theodorakis.

There is still no explanation unidentified body and are still A seventh maintenance worker, Mr J. E. Harnetty, aged 38, is in hospital with severe burns. His colleague named only as Mr Muldoon, aged 41,

was released last night after being treated for a hand injury. The minth member of the maintenance crew, who has not been identified, escaped practically unhurt from

The Britons are all said to be employed by Industrial Maintenance and Engineering, a London-based firm. Experts of Smit-Tak, the Rotterdam salvage company are discussing salvage plans for the vessel

#### Court tells women to fall out

From Nicholas Hirst Washington, June 25 he objection by Congress to romen being drafted into the armed services has been upheld by the Supreme Court.

President Carter reintroduced registration for possible call-up. It had been dropped after the end of the Vietnam war in response to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. In line with pressure to treat men and women equally he included women. Congress rejected the idea. But a suit originally filed in 1971 by anti-Vietnam war protesters at the University of Philadelphia was revived. It sought to show that since women were excluded, all compulsory military service was un-constitutional. A district court ruled that if men were drafted, then women should be too. Three judges dissented at the Supreme Court hearing which overruled the lower court. One, Justice Thurgood Marshall, said the majority decision "excludes women from a fundamental civic obligation".

The case reflected the continuing bestle in the United.

tinuing battle in the United States over the Equal Rights Amendment which seeks to enshrine women's equality with men more firmly in the Aeri-

can Constitution.
Opponents of the amendment have claimed that it was the intention of its supporters to have women forced to do mili-

tary service. After early success which won support from all but three of the states required to pur the amendment into the Consti tution, ir ran into strong opposition. The chances of success, before it rups out of time under the procedure for constitutional changes, look slender.

#### Diggers lose out on love

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, June 25

Digging trenches all day is a back-breaking job and when Zulu housewife Mrs Ntombane Mathousi finished work she is too tired for anything—even for love. "Luckily, my husband understands," she said.

She is employed by a private firm in Soweto, outside Johannesburg, digging trenches for cables that will carry electricity into the black township, a priority government project.

But now the firm has slashed her wages and those of 200 other trench diggers, men and women, from 90 cents (53p) for every yard of 3ft-deep trench dug to 60 cents. The firm, under contract to the West Rand Administration

Board, the government-appointed body that controls Soweto, claims it is losing money—and the trench diggers have been on strike for four days. Mrs Mathonsi said she came to Johannesburg from Zululand to stay with her husband for a few months and to try to earn money to support their family:
"We carn very little, yet we work so hard. Now we are told

she said. Like most of the others in the pick and shovel brigade, Mrs Mathonsi is not "registered"—which means she has no legal right to be in Soweto.

our wages are to be reduced,

HANOI MEETING

National Assembly opened in Hanoi to choose an executive head of state, expected to be Mr Le Duan, the General-Secretary of the Communist

#### Judge halts Perón case proceedings

From Andrew McLeod Buenos Aires, June 25 A federal judge has ordered a stay of proceedings in the a say or proceedings in the case against former President Maria Estela Peron for the alleged mishandling of presidential funds.

Señor Narvaiz the judge, said Señora Perón's continued desertion at her este in Sen

detention at her estate in San vicente was due to her alleged involvement in the Peronist solidarity crusade fraud and for the illegal transfer of property to the Justicialist (Peronist)

Party.

The judge also made it clear that the stay of proceedings was only temporary, as the case was to remain open until other people, allegedly involved in the mishandling of presidential funds, could be questioned.

These included Safor José

mestioned.

These included Señor José
López Rega, the former Social
Welfare Minister, and Señor
Carlos Villone, the former presidential press secretary, who have left Argentina and are wanted by police.

The Government meanwhile

is continuing its crackdown on dissent, with the arrests last night of more than 60 politi-cians and 12 journalists. including reporters from the United Press International and Associated Press news agencies, and a correspondent for the Brazilian daily, Folha de Sao

They were detained during a multi-party gathering in a Buenos Aires botel, and all had been released by early today.
The journalists received an apology from a senior police official, who said identity checks would not be necessary

Among the politicians who Among the politicians who were arrested were Señor Luis Leon, secretary-general of the Radical Party's national committee, Señor Emrique de Vedia head of the Popular Christian Party, and Señor Simon Lazara, leader of the United Socialist Party. Several Peronist Leaders were also

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#### Pakistan plans increase in defence spending

day announced a deficit Gov-ernment budget with increased spending on defence. He said the Afghanistan crisis posed an added threat to the country's

added threat to the country's security.

The defence allocation for the new fiscal year is 17,712m rupees (£886m) as against the budgeted defence allocation of 14,500m rupees for 1980-81. The next year defence allocation claims nearly 48 per cent of the estimated current expenditure estimated current expenditure of the Government.

Mr Ishaq Khan said that the Afghanistan crisis had also imposed a heavy financial burden on country's strained resources as the number of Afghan refugees in Pakistan had risen above two million in the last 18 months. In addition to internal efforts to provide a credible defence, Pakistan was seeking

external assistance. President Zia ul-Haq stated last night he was hopeful that the United States congress would approve the arms and economic package deal offered by the United States Administration earlier this month.

The United States aid was expected to start flowing in October next year but mean-while Pakistan would make arms purchases of its immediate needs against cash payments partly provided by Saudi Arabia

and other Islamic countries.

The Finance Minister increased taxes to collect an additional revenue of 5,600m rupees Punishment prescribed:
Punishment of imprisonment
and fines has been prescribed
for the Pakistani Muslims who

Mr Ghulam Ishaq Khan, are found offending the Islamic Pakistan's Finance Minister, to-day announced a deficit Government budget with the sanctity of the month of fasting, by an ordinance issued here today by General Zia.

The ordinance prohibits est-ing and smoking in all public places and the serving of food

and drinks in restaurants and hotels during the hours of fasting from dawn to dusk in the Islamic month of Ramzan; beginning next week. The ordinance empowers not only magistrates and police to arrest those found violating the new law but the heads of local

bodies and members of the new Zakat committees to report and arrest the law-breakers. The ordinance also prohibits cinema and theatre shows for three looss after the end of the fast in the evening

Those found eating and smok ing in public or serving food or drinks in restaurants and hotels are liable to be sentenced to three months imprisonment and fines while the cinema and theatre owners could be sentenced to six months in jail and

Although executive action has been taken in the past to en-force observance of religious duty during Ramzan, this is the first time that General Zia, who is single-mindedly engaged in introducing Islamic reforms, has issued a special order for this

Delhi : For the first time in years a senior Chinese offi-will visit India tomorrow to talk about border problems Soviet influence in Asia and how to bring the world's two most populous nations together (UPI reports).

# Bush plays down criticism

of the Mitterrand team

The appointment of Commun-

tion". And it is expected tha

pression to its objections and misgivings, if the State Depart-

dent goes to Washington.
The advantages of having the

President Mitterrand's view, the

played down the impact of the State Department statement last night which suggested that relations between France and the United States might be affected by the participation of Communist ministers in the

He went out of his way to emphasize his confidence that the talks he had had yesterday with President Mitterrand, M Pierre Mauroy, the Prime Min-ister, and M Claude Cheysson, the Foreign Minister, would make it possible to pursue the close and cordial relations be-

Mr Bush refused to be drawn on the subject of Communists in the Reagan Administration will have to find some concrete exthe French Government, beyond suggesting that the interpretation, given by the news media of the State Department state-

of the State Department state-ment, was not accurate. He said: of course there are differences between us. But I felt we could discuss these differences freely and frankly. I have been a diplomat, I know what frank and cordial mean ment statement is not to remain purely platonic.

This might mean cutting off France for a while from some of the military information exchanged in Nam. In any case, Paris is prepared for some difficulties in Franco-American relicities in Franco-American rein the United Nations. But I can go back to President Reagan and tell him that our discussions were good. lations in Franco-American re-lations in the months ahead.

A great deal will depend
on what assurances M Mitter-rand can give to Mr Reagan
on security when they meet in

. A visit to Washington by President Mitterrand would be discussed at the Ottawa summit next month. He would be given Onawa next month, or in the autumn, when the French Presi-Communists in the Government, and thereby ensuring peace on the labour front, to a certain extent more than outweighed, in

President Reagan.
Mr. Bush stated that the high
American interest rates had
been discussed. "I made it clear to French leaders that the best way to alleviate the pressure caused by these high interest drawbacks in terms of adverse rates was to enact the fiscal reactions abroad and difficulties programme of President Reagan - with the United States and other programme of President Reagan - with the United as rapidly as possible. Ours is New members.

Mr George Bush, the Amerian traces. It is the result of the France is far less extensive than Paris for London this morning, policy pursued in the past with it is in Britain, and all ministers in a statement at Orly airport which we disagree."

ernment papers. M Cheysson, in a radio inter-Let Quotidien de Paris points out that it will be difficult to explain to the allied military leaders that to place a Com-munist in charge of transport Department statement as intended primarily for domestic consumption. He also described as a "James Bond type of story"; the reports on one American television network that President Reagan had received assurances from President Mitterrand that the Communist ministers would not be privy to defence secrets. is an anodine matter which con-cerns France alone. "To see in every Communist an agent of Moscow partakes of an obses-sion. But the conversion of the leaders of the Communist Party is too hasty to be sincere."

The four Communist ministers have been at pains to deny that they would be the eyes and ears of Moscow in the inner councils of government, as many Frenchmen, both of the right ist ministers has undoubtedly and Washington. According to informed sources, France hencewill be "under observaand of the left, are inclined to

> There is a good deal of con-troversy whether the posts given to Communist ministers are merely technical ones and not political. M. Paul Laurent, a leading member of the Communist Party secretariat, rather let the cat out of the bag by insisting today that they were "decisive branches of national activity, which involved mil-lions of wage earners and con-cerned tens of millions of Frenchmen \*-

> Apart from the expected warnings of the Giscardian and Gaullist opposition, the strongest objection to the appointment of Communist ministers has come from the moderate Force Ouvrière trade union organization. It warmly wel-comed the election of M Mitter-rand on May 10, but now, in a declaration signed by all 12 members of its executive committee solemnly condemned the inclusion of Communists in the

#### Leak lands Haig in hot water

From Michael Leapman New York, June 25 Mr Alexander Haig's storusy passage as Secretary of State fering this week in an odd row concerning Mrs Jeane Krk-patrick, the United States representative at the United

It began as many of Mr Haig's troubles have done, with what seems to have been a calculated leak to a reporter. The New York Times yesterday carried a report from Honolulu. where Mr Haig was travelling, that his "sides" criticized Mrs. Kirkpatrick's handling of the Security Council debate on Israel and Iraq and of negotiations leading to a resolution criticizing largel.

The remarks were made on board Mr Haig's official and craft, as well as in discussions at Wellington, New Zealand economic and monetary prob-Their thrust was that Mrs. Kirk lems should be thoroughly dis-patrick had to be dissuaded cussed there including the from accepting a resolution from accepting a resolution of Israel, and that Mr Hang had succeeded in getting if toned down by personally telephoning Mr Saadun Hamadi, the Iraqi Foreign Minister, from Manila.

Specifically, the sides are reported to have said that Mr Haig succeeded in having left out of the resolution a section calling on countries to review their arms sales to Israel. The Iragis had originally wanted such a passage as a price for not calling for sanctions and a formal arms embargo, demands which the Americans would cer-

tainly have vetoed. Mrs Kirkpatrick is in France on boliday but such criticism, seeming to have come from her superior Cabinet officer, will naturally have wounded her.

She was proud of her diplomacy in the Security Council last week and makes a point in last week and makes a point in all her public statements that her priority is to carry out the policy of the Administration. She has often criticized Mr Andrew Young, who held the United Nations job under President Carter, for taking independent policy initiatives. So Mr Heig hestened to repair the harm caused by the airborne leak. "I am shocked and disappointed that such a story should be written and, more importantly, that it should be attributed to one of my aides or more," he said in Honoluku.

"Any such statements by my

Any such statements by my aides are misinformed or they have been misinferpreted. Ambassador Kirkpatrick did a supero job, which has been characteristic of her performance at the United Nations from the outset."

President Reagan, travelling in the west was not amused either. He telephoned Mrs Kirkpatrick in France to tell her she had done a grand job last

A White House aide Is reported as having said: "We don't want to fire back. We don't want a wedge between ourselves and Haig with him half way around the world." We're not going to take after Haig and his aides."

Everyone involved is anxious to avoid yet another controversy over the peppery Mr Haig, who has proved by far the most controversial of Presieconomic recovery programms despite its setbacks in Washingdent Reagan's Cabinet appoint-ments. His troubles began on inauguration day in January, when he failed to get Mr Reagan to sign a document giving him wide policy-making

his first visit to his California
political base since his inauguration, the President fired A week later, Mr Reagan was shot and Mr Heig was criticized for an emotional appearance in the press room of the White in the House of Representa-tives, accusing them of sabo-tage and back room politics. It House saying that, with Mr was a sad commentary on the Bush in Texas, he was in state of the Democratic Party.

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#### Trudeau shrugs off the **French Communists** From Our Own Correspondent, Paris, June 25

The participation of Communist ministers in the French Government would not affect relations between France and Canada, Mr. Pierre Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, said after his arrival in Paris today. Mr. Trudeau, who is in France for discussions on the Ottawa summit of July 20, said after lunch with President François Mitterrand that "this participation, from our point of view, has no importance whatsoever".

He also said he understood the political reasons for which President Mitterrand had brought the Communists into the Government, "although he was not obliged to, since he has

a majority Mr Trudeau pant a courtesy call on M Pietre Mauroy, the Prime Minister, before going to the Elysée Palace for Idnch. He insisted that the main pur pose of his visit was to discuss the Ottawa summit. He and M Mitterrand had agreed that

The participation of Commun rates, which he added, "has a ministers in the Brench Gov notions effects on other coun-

tries."

The two also discussed the North-South dialogue and en the need to establish a new type of relations with the industrialized countries on which the Canadian

and French governments have the same approach.

For Mr Trudeau, the objective of the North-South dialogue should be not only a more equitable sharing of wealth between the industrialized and developing countries—including a recycling of perrudoHars—but also a sharing of power as he pointed out during his visit to Paris last autumn.

Paris less autumn.

The Ottawa summit, he said moday, must establish firm objectives for the North-South dialogue. Among them is the working out of a new mutually acceptable code of conduct concerned not only with aid, but also with trade, capital and decisions.

economic and monetary prob-lems should be thoroughly dis-cussed, there, including the rand and M Claude Cheysson, American policy of high interest the new Foreign Minister.

#### Two hanged in Turkey for killing US Navy man

From Sinan Fisek, Ankara, June 25

Two leftist extremists senturn to democracy in Turkey tenced to death for the murder are rated as slim indeed, in an last year in Istanbul of an analysis by the International American Navy diver and his driver were hanged today at there since the military take-passispisi prison on the Ana-byer (Alan McGregor writes).

Tandogan, members of the Marrist Lenist Armed Propaganda Units, shot dead Chief Petty Officer Alberto Novello and his Parkish driver, Mr Ali Sabri Baytar in April, 1980

The two extremists went to the gallows chanting slogans as their lawyers watched and close relatives waited outside the jail. There have now been eight executions since the coup

last September.

Their chief victim, Chief Petry Officer Novello, was an underwater rescue and salvage expert at the Turkish Navy diving school in Cubuklu, Istanbul.

Meanwhile, the prosecutor of the martial law courts in Istanbul amounced today that he would seek the death sent-ence for Abdullah Basturk, chairman of the liberal trade union movement Disk, and Si

other leading members.
Colonel Suleyman Takkeci
said at a press conference that
the leader of Disk and his comrades would be accused of "attempting to abolish or asserts that the legislation forcefully utodify the Turkish already existing was more than constitution, and the Grand adequate to cope with any National Assembly created by this law", at their forthcoming Now, under the new laws,

million members before it was abolished by Turkey's military leaders after the coup.

Geneva: Prospects for a rebrought to trial.

a broadside against Democrats

tolian coast.

Its report, produced specially
Ahmer Saner and Kadir for the Council of Europe says many of the regime's legislative changes are irreversible—bar-

A constituent assembly, scheduled to meet in September or October for assisting in the drafting of a new constitution will be composed of people largely amenable to the military's wishes, says the report.

The militady law commanders, released from responsibility towards civil sustionity and lity towards civil authority and with their activities coordinated by the military hierarchy alone ade empowered to impose censorship and to ben trade union activities and

The new law also eases restrictions on use of firearms by police. Official sources say 115 people were killed in clashes with the police and security forces during the new regime's first six mouths.
While recognizing that the

anarchy, with a score of poli-tical killings a day, prevailing before the military intervened was intolerable, the commission

habeas corpus is seriously affected. For example: 15 days' detention incomunicado— 90 days under state of siege-is allowed before a suspect is



#### Israeli television encounter

#### Peres finally shows his teeth

From Christopher Walker, Tel Aviv, June 25.

With more than 20 per cent of Israeli voters still undecided. Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, and Mr Shimon Peres, leader of the opposition Labour Party, tonight engaged in a 40-minute televised debate that could be crucial in determining the outcome of next Tuesday's general election.

Although much of the oppor-tunity for point scoring was removed by the strictly con-trolled studio format, Mr Peres launched a bitter attack on Mr Begin, whom he held responsible for whipping up the mob violence which has marred the compaign and led to more than stages of the campaign.

200 arrests.

He avoided personal abuse.

Speaking more forcefully of Mr Peres, but gave a warn-

Speaking more forcefully weeks, Mr Peres accused the Prime Minister of inculging in character assassination. He said that Mr Begin had incited his young supporters to violence by making false and irrespon-sible claims that a Labour Goverament would leave Israel vulnerable to attacks by Palestinian terrorists.....

Palestinian terrorists.

"I was present at many election theetings", Mr Peres said.
"I saw the tomatoes, I saw the
'lumps of wood, I saw it with my
own eyes: I heard these cries
'Begin, Begin'. I saw these
young people but they are not
no blame. I want to say—and
this without any embellishthis without any embellish-

CEASEFIRE

FOR ZAHLE

IS AGREED

Beirut, June 25.—Lebanon and Syria today agreed on a new ceasefire for the area of Zahle, the rightist-held Lebanese town which has been under siege for more than 12 weeks, official sources in Beirut said.

The ceasefire was due to take

The ceasefire was due to take effect at noon, and about 40 minutes later the heavy shelling of Zahle appeared to have given way to sniping, security sources in the town said.

The shelling was the town's worst in several weeks and broke out last night within hours of a peace call by four Arab foreign ministers meeting in Saudi Arabia. The right-wing Phalangist radio said six people had been killed and 40 injured in the shelling.

Mr Philip Habib, the United States special envoy, said the danger of military action over the Syrian missile crisis had receded. He left today for Washington after his second round of talks with Arab and

round of talks with Arab and Israeli leaders. He said he would consult with his govern-

ment and return in early July.

man who caused it coalities in Mr Peres alleged that the Begin well last four years of right-wing in all survice had been the worst in popularity. Israel's 33-year history, leading. to a total inflation over the period of 1,210 per cent, a collapse in industrial development a drying up of Jewish imagration and most

ment a drying up of Jewish immigration and, most recently a violent and demo-craic election campaign.

Mr Begin, looking fit and confident, appeared to be deliberately trying to play down the image of extremism that his Labour opponents have been emphasizing in the closing

"-fordanian option " could lead to a situation when Katyusha rockets would be landing on targets in Tel Aviv.
Among political commenta-

tors who were given an early showing of the recorded debate, there was a general feeling that the result was a tie with both men emerging equally from the seven identical questions they had to answer. It was noted that Mr Begin had not scored the easy victory which he enjoyed during a similar pre-election debate with Mr Peres

all the Israeli opinion polls showing the ruling Likud

coalition in the lead and Mr Begin well ahead of Mr Peres in all surveys of personal

published it will not be clear whether the debate has helped Labour to reverse the pro-Likud trend but early reactions By the toss of a coln it was decided the debate would be filmed at the Likud television studios in a holiday village outside. Tel Aviv. Both parties agreed in advance to firm rules which reduced the chance of

squabbling The le leaders answered questions put to them
by an Israeli journalist and the cameras were forbidden from showing reaction shots of one man listening to the other.

As expected Mr Peres adopted a more diplomatic approach to security matters, attacking Mr Begin's decision to sauction the shooting down of two Syrian helicopters which precipitated

the Lebenon missile crisis.

Mr Begin was asked to outline the main achievements of his Government over the past four years. He singled out two events which he said were at opposite ends of the spectrum: in 1977.

The delate took place with Egypt and this month's destrucall the Israeli opinion polls tion of the Baghdad nuclear

Egypt seeks to reassure

#### Milan and Rome vie

From Peter Nichola Milan, June 25

The P2 missonic scandal took

A Milan judicial official said: "We are a long way from power here and we have always shown our independ-

are: First, that the Rome public prosecutors want a wide, complete and necessarily comcomplete and necessarily com-plex inquiry into all aspects of the P2 affair, which would inevitably slow down the pro-cess of bringing individuals to trial; and second, the suspi-cion that political weight could be more assily brought to bear be more easily brought to bear in Rome to cover up aspects of the affair which could prove embarrassing for some leading

politicians. Rome's tactic has been to outbid Milan in the serious-ness in penal terms of how it sees the case—bringing in charges of political conspiracy and political espionage. It is on

and political espionage. It is on the grounds that the charges it has brought are more serious that Rome has laid claim to handling the whole affair.

The Milan view is that the best procedure to follow would be that used in the Sindona case, from which the P2 scandal emerged. The prosecutors here carried out their tenacious inquiry into the affairs of Michelle Sindona, now serving a sentence in an

Preparations are advanced for setting up a parliamentary commission on the P2 affair as well, and the main fear felt in Milan is that the new Italian government, due to be formed this weekend, may not last long enough to allow the commission to start and finish its work before elections are called. One of the aims of the prag-

matic Milan approach is to show clearly what was involved in the P2 scandal. Local gov-ernment elections, held last weekend, do not appear to have been seriously influenced by all the P2 publicity.

They would understand more about it if the investigators could continue their work and have it augmented by Parlia-

#### Arrigo Levi: A Personal View Rearming yet ready to talk with Russia

"Old people like me have "In this part of the world, surely seen worse Germans military equilibrium is a than pacifist Germans." This necessary prerequisite for was Herr Willy Brandt speak- keeping our freedom, While

which is not surprising con- in today's Germany. But, of sidering that there must have course, most of those present been by now dozens of similar were the "right" Ameri-European-American confer- cans, belonging to the cate-ences since President Reagan gory of those already con-

hans even too much of it, to Russians. Still, they included the point of unwillingly leave high level, authorized offi-ing some lurking suspicions only of the Reagan Adminis-about the hidden dangers tration.

that may still threaten the In explaining American cohesion of the Great autendes, Mr Eagleburger

agreements with the Soviets; witnessing is a reaction to we believe that allied security may be enhanced through arms control; we have said that we shall negotiate; we are preparing with our allies.

This, he implied, explained the difficulty in carrying out are preparing with our allies are preparing with our allies. This, he implied, explained the difficulty in carrying out are preparing to negotiate, we are indeed beginning to negotiate, we will negotiate with all the visiour, skill and wisdom at our command.

"We believe you", said the

dom at our command."
"We believe you", said the
Germans, even though, as Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor pur it, "noises from the sixth or seventh rank" were heard from time to time which needed to be denied by the first rank.
The Germans then went on

to explain the meaning of the pacifist tendencies of German youth. They spoke of their angry young men with affection more than with annoyance. It is up to us, they said. to explain to them those things which we have known all along, but which they have not yet learnt and which they In spite of all the doubts

and protests of the young and the Protestant circles (Herr Schmidt was just back from his courageous, able defence of his policy at the Hamburg Church Day), the Social Democratic leaders left no doubt that they would stick to the "double track" decision of December, 1979. The construction and deployment of the Euromaissiles serious negotiations in sight would go ahead, along with Unless, of course, something the negotiations. If the decision to rearm was abandoned, they said, there would be no negotiations.

As Herr Schmidt put it: © Times Newspapers Ltd 1981 and protests of the young and takes. would be no negotiations. intentions.

As Herr Schmidt put it: © Times Newspapers Ltd 1981

ing at a European-American it is not a complete recipe for workshop in Bonn on current peace, it is an indispensable security issues.

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The Americans seemed to most striking statements be convinced by these reheard. Many of the things assurances, although the said had been said before, noises of pacificism are loud.

won his great victory.

In Bonn the general atmosphere was one of reciprocal between the allies, es well reassurance; there was per- as of negotiations with the

Alliance. seemed to cono some recent the main American continuities by Mr Zbigniew tribunion, by Mr Lawrence Brazzinski in the Encounter Eagleburger, Assistant Secretister with George Urban party of State for European about the difficulties, for a Affairs, offered a simple message He repeated ad nauseam seemed to echo some recent sage. He repeated ad nauseam strategies. "We Americans?, one single concept. "We he said, "believed in detente one single concept. "We he said," believed in detente Americans", he said, "want more naively than Eurone negotiate arms control peans: What we are now agreements with the Soviets; winessing is a reaction to the mishandling of American public opinion in the seven.

> Among the Garmans, another of the Socialist leaders, Herr Egon Babr, just back from Moscow, listed all the dangers of having rearmament without negotiations. The Russians, he said, might have uncomfortable replies to the new Adantic Europsiesites.

The Russians might attempt to threaten again American territory from off-the-coast sea bases, or European terrises bases, or tory with short-ran-strategic missiles from (for Czechoslovakia. not yet learnt and which they the warning time after seem to ignore, out of faulty launch. In such a situation, there would no longer be sufficient time to correct mis-

# for P2 case

another twist today when the Milan public prosecutor's office firmly held its ground against the efforts of Rome to take over the entire inquiry—some-thing Milan regards as judi-cially and politically danger-

ence.

The Milan objections to Rome

now serving a sentence in an American prison. The inquiry was then enlarged by the work of a parliamentary commission of inquiry.

the P2 publicity.

The belief here is that a degree of public reaction was shown by the increased number of abstentions, but generally people had still not understood the scandal.

IN BRIEF

#### Mugabe to halve size of army Salisbury.-The Zimbabwe

Government has announced measures which will reduce by almost a half the size of the almost a half the size of the national army, grossly swollen by the policy of taking in all members of the former guerrilla forces (Stephen Taylor writes). A spokesman for Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister, said that the Government was to establish a demobilization directorate to encourage and train about 30,000 ex-combatants to return to civilian life.

Parties unite

Accra.-Five minority political groups in Ghana are forming a single party opposed to the People's National Party of President Hilla Limann, which President Hilla Limann, which has ruled since September, 1979. They are the Popular Front, Action Congress, United Convention, Social Democratic Front and Third Force parties, which together hold 69 of 140 seats in Parliament. Uneasy milkin

Mexican farewell

Moscow.-Vladimir khin, a Russian film diretor, has written to colleagues in Moscow from location in Mexico, telling them be intends to remain permanently there. Mr Rachikhin, aged 32, was working on a revolutionary film in Mexico with Sergei Bondarchuk, a senior director.

New York -- A computer failure at the air traffic control centre delayed aircraft at New

Aircraft delayed

York's three major airports for up to 90 minutes. At one point, more than 70 aircraft, due to leave La Guardia airport on domestic flights were delayed. Croats seized

New York—The nine leaders of DTPDR, a Croatian nationalist group, were arrested in their homes in seven cities on charges of directing Croatian terrorism in the United States.

The FBI called it "a crushing blow" to Croatian terrorism. Greek tremors Athens.-Sixty-two tremors centred in the Ionian Sea, 175 miles west of Athens, were registered here. No injuries or damage was reported. Sixteen tremors registered between 4 and 5.5 on the openended Richter scale.

Swapo men killed

Windhoek.-South African and South West African security forces killed four guerril-las, members of the South West African People's Organization (Swapo), in a series of clashes in northern Namibia in the past

#### Reagan accuses Democrats of sabotage From Nicholas Ashford, Los Angeles, June 25

Like a character in one of his an attempt by the House Rules where he was Governor for 13 films whom audiences know will eventually triumph, Presi-dent Reagan made it clear that

his proposals to cut federal spending to be considered as he intends to force through his six separate votes rather than Arriving in Los Angeles for

as a single vote.

Mr. Reagan's tough line,
backed up by a series of long
distance telephone calls last night and this morning to con-servative Democrats in the House of Representatives, paid off. Today the House narrowly

This means that the President's entire economic package has a far better chance of being approved. Earlier, Mr Reagan

tour to drum up popular support for his economic recovery programme and to take a brief holiday at his Santa Barbara

He has made it clear that his economic package must be given priority and that he wants it approved before Congress starts its summer recess at the end of next month.

Today he was addressing a meeting organized by the Cali-fornia Taxpayers Association and a local business lobby In the audience were the chief executives of California's 50 largest corporations who are determined to see that Mr Reagan is able to fulfil his

#### PLO over West Bank From Robert Fisk, Cairo, June 25

With agreement reached in Cairo today to set up a multinational peace-keeping force along the old Egyptian-Israeli frontier, the Egyptian Covernment is seeking to reassure the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) that it will honour the company to Palestine Liberation or the Camp David treaty at no

and in Gaza.

Mr Kamal Hassan Ali, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, told The Times today that the PLO still had "a very essential role in the peace process" and called for mutual recognition between the PLO and Israel.

The Times has learnt that several senior PLO officials take place between the PLO have held secret meetings with Mr Hassan Ali over the past few weeks. The PLO men, with full knowledge of their leader for the Paleshinians."

Mr Yassir Arafat, have met Mr Hassan Ali at the minister's private residence in the Cairo suburb of Helinpolis.

Polypei in autonomy talks.

No mutual recognition could take place between the PLO and Israel, he said, "unless is resolving the autonomy talks for the Paleshinians."

According to Mr Hassan Ali, both the present Israeli Government of Mr Menachem.

Regin and Mr Shimon Peres.

suburb of Heliopolis. At their talks, they have been assured that Egypt intends to press the Israelis on the issue of Palestinian autonomy now that the Israeli army is preparing the last stage of its withdrawal from Sinai.

Although neither the PLO men nor Mr Hassan Ali have ever disclosed publicly that their talks took place, the Palestinians have privately ex-pressed their satisfaction at the minister's assurances.

All Mr Hassan Ali would say officially today was that the Egyptian Government "has its contacts with the PLO"; but he refused to comment when asked about the meetings at his home. ..... It seems clear, however, that

the PLO which has noisily condemned the Camp David treaty as a betrayal of Palestinian rights—is more interested than it cares to admit in the Egyptian Israeli peace process.

It would be going too far to say that the Palestinians are say that the Palestinians are this, to come to another agreeusing the Egyptians to pass ment."

The Camp David treaty at no

tion (PLO) that it will honour its commitment to Palestinian point refers to the PLO—it autonomy on the West Bank refers only to the "Palestinian"—but when Mr Hassan Ali, the Ali spoke today of the PLO's Egyptian Foreign Minister, told role "in the peace process and The Times today that the PLO in solving the Palestinian problems. lem" he was implying that Mr Yassir Arafat's organization could ultimately become in-

> Begin and Mr Shimon Peres's opposition want to resume the Palestinian autonomy talks with Egypt shortly after the Israeli

elections.

"For our part", Mr Hassan
Ali said, "we are showing our
interest in getting a correct
definition of autonomy before we start the resumption of the talks. Our definition is the international definition-to prepare the people of any area to take their future in their hands. The Israelis have not shown interest in a definition so far,
Mr. Rassan Ali is a small
man with a smarr moustache
and a balding head, constantly
smiling—a visual combination
of Kojak and King Faruk. He welcomes all questions as if he does not see the traps con-tained within them.

-- When you ask him if another peace treaty might be neces-sary if Camp David reaches exhaustion point, he replies:
"Why not implement Camp
David, then if it is not enough, let us start ester implementing

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# et ready to renege on Russia Gleneagles pact

From W. P. Reeves, Wellington, June 25

site of their September meeting away from Auckland because of New Zealand's sporting contacts with South Africa, the New Zealand Government will consider dissociating itself from the Gleneagles agreement. Mr Gleneagles agreement mr Gleneagles agreement Mr Robert Muldoon, the Prime Minister, who is in Europe, has advised Mr S. Ramphal, the Commonwealth Secretary

General, of this possibility.

He added that he was prepared to confront other Commonwealth heads of government at their Melbourne meeting later on the issue of human

rights records.

Mr Muldoon's message was disclosed in Wellington today, by Mr Duncan MacIntyre, the

New Zealand is under pres-sure to cancel the visit by the south African Springbok rugby team which is due here next month. While the government opposes the visit saying that it will harm New Zealand abroad and create divisions at home, it will not deny visas to the team.

Earlier in the week, Mr Mac-Intyre indicated that Mr Muldoon would take a fresh initiative when he returns to New Zealand to try to stop the tour. So far there has been no indication of the nature of this likely move, though it is ex-pected to take the form of in-creased pressure on the New Zealand Rugby Union to persuade it to cancel its invitation to Springboks. The union argues, that its function is to promote

interest in rugby In his letter to Mr Ramphal, Mr Muldoon expressed conon the Gleneagles agreement by Some Commonwealth countries. He was quoted by Mr MacInstvre as saying: "The Secretary General knows that there would have been no Gleneagles" with South Africa.—Reuter.

If Commonwealth finance agreement had the heads of ministers insist on shifting the government in 1977 not agreed that New Zealand's policy of not refusing passports or visas to sportsmen, should be recog-nized and acknowledged in the agreement, particularly in the section which refers to laws of each country.

each country.

"As some countries are now claiming that New Zealand is in breach of the agreement and are moving to transfer the finance minister's meeting to another venue, I have told the Secretary General two things.

"First, if that transfer takes place I shall ask the government matter members.

government party members to discuss a proposal that New Zealand no longer remains party to the Gleneagles agree-

ment,
"Second, I have asked that
he place on the agenda of the
Commonwealth heads government meeting in Melbourne the
question of violations of human question of violations of numan rights in Commonwealth com-tries." Mr Muldoon said he was not. prepared to have his country whose record on human rights was second to no other member of the Commonwealth,

He added: "I propose to discuss this question openly and face to face with my Common-wealth colleagues at Melbourne. I have had a number of com-munications from Common-wealth heads of government all couched in most friendly

terms."
Mr Wallace Rowling, the leader of the Labour Opposition, said that the Prime Minister's extreme position threat-ened New Zealand's continued membership of the Common-

#### Problems at home as Fraser goes abroad

From Douglas Aiton Melbourne, June 25 Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, has set off on a three-week tour of North America during which he will meet President Reagan in Washington, Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister, in Ottawa, and President Lopez Portillo in Mexico City.

He leaves with a dispute brewing between Australia and New Zealand, over whether to participate in a United States-sponsored Smai peacekeeping force. The two countries are already at odds over the pro-posed Springbox pour to New Zasland Zesland.

posed Springbox four to New Zealand
Mr. Alexander. Haig, the United States Secretary of State, has been making it clear at this week's Anzus meeting in Wellington that he considers Australian and New Zealand participation to be of extreme importance.

The United States has asked most of its allies to take part in monitoring the withdrawal of Israeli troops from the Sinai at the end of the year.

Australia has agreed in principle; to send troops, but New Zealand is still opposed because of the possible threat to its

of the possible threat to its lucrative lamb export trade with

the Middle East.
Another problem he leaves behind in Australia is that posed by the reaction from the Labour Party and the Australian Council of Trade Unions to the approach by the federal and the proposals by the federal and South Australian governments to Jaunch a national uranium-processing industry at Port Piric.



Mickey Rooney sues

Mickey Rooney has sued eight Hollywood studios for extra payments for films he and other actors made before February, 1960. Mr Rooney, 60-year old star of the Broadway hit musical Sugar Babies, nearly 50 years. He filed the suit in the New York district court on his own behalf and for other performers including Dana Andrews, Glenn Ford, Rock Hudson and Paul Newman.

#### Civil Guard colonel charged over deaths of three men

Gnard and two other members of the paramilitary police force were charged in police force were charged in Ameria odlay with man-slaughter in connexion with the deaths last month in southern Spain of three young men while being held as suspected Basque terrorists.

A public outery followed the discovery of the burnt bodies of the three men, none of whom had any police record, on a roadside in Andalusia on May 10. All workmen from Santander, northern Spain, they had gone south to attend a family first communion cele-

But they were picked up and interrogated by the Almeria Civil Guard unit believing they were the alleged ETA killers

of General Joaquin Valenzuela in Madrid four days before. People feared the fight against terrorism was getting out of hand, with nolice methods threatening innocent citizens lives. The Almeria case rapidly essumed national proportions, for it was the

lieutenant-colonel of the Civil Guard, the force favoured by Franco, that seized Parlia-ment in February's failed military coup:
The credibility of the Government of Senor Leopoldo

Calvo Socelo suffered a serious blow when the Interior Minister in Parliament on May 21 persisted with an official ver-sion of how the three young men died. It closely followed men died. It closely followed that given out by the Civil Guards which was received locally with incredulity and with public expressions of the young men's good cheracter. Today's charging of Lieutenant Colonel Carlos Castillo, the army officer in charge of the Almeria Civil Guard unit, together with his assistant and one policeman, is important in showing the judical authorities have not been cowed by Civil have not been cowed by Civil Guard pressures against any court proceedings. All three men will now go to army barracks awaiting trial.

☐ Basque killings: Doubt per-sisted today about who was sisted today about who was responsible for the machine gun

killing of two men in the Basque town of Tolosa, amid conflicting reports that the killers were members of ETA separarist organizations or the right-wing Basque-Spanish Battalion; (Harry Debelius writes).

The dead men, both aged 26 and from the Bilbao area, were members of the Basque nation. members of the Basque nationalist party active in organizing its youth movement. One was a salesman of Basque language courses. His brother, who was seziously wounded in the attack vesterday, is a member of the Basque Communist Party.

Police speculated that ETA extremists were responsible, but that the killing was a mistake. The restaurant outside which

the men were shot is a gather-ing place for policemen, who might have been the real target. In Irun, near San Sebastian, leading military and police authorities in the Basque country today attended the funeral of a 63-year-old handicapped on Wednesday from wounds sustained when he was shot by terrorists last Monday.

#### Prince had to brave storm

From Michael Leapman, New York, June 25

were seriously discussing whether to advise Buckingham Palace to cancel the visit,

according to officials.

In the end it was decided that the adverse publicity provoked by a cancellation at such short notice would be graver have subsided.

Until a few days before the than the effect of the inevitable Prince of Wales came to New anti-British demonstrations by York last week, British diplo- Irish-Americans, It was decided mats here and in Washington that Prince Charles would have that Prince Charles would have to come and brave the storm.

The visit, in public relations terms, was a debacle. It is unlikely, officials feel, that members of the Royal Family will come here again until local passions on the Irish question have subsided. CHAD EMBASSY ATTACKED

Khartum, June 25.—Two people were killed and two seriously injured today when a hand grenade exploded at the entrance to the Chadion Embassy in Khartum, the police reported. A Chadian was arrested and charged

The embassy porter was

The embassy porter was killed on the spot and a Chadian applying for a passport died in hospital. Two Chadians applying for passports were injured.—AP.

#### Rebels urge merits of democracy

From Neil Kelly Baugkok, June 25

Two That generals, who have led revolutions against governments of the day, are publicly praising the benefits of demo-

General Sant Chitpatima, the former deputy Commander in-Chief, who led the abortive coup in April, told students: "If a military man wants to play politics, he must take off his uniform first. The Army cannot build democracy. It must not meddle in politics." General Sant, who has been

d for his part in the insurrection, returned to Thailand last Monday from Burma General Kriangsak Chomanan, the former Prime Minister and supreme military commander, said coups had hindered Thailand's progress, although he admitted he had taken part in four himself. He would never again, he said, be involved in attempts to overthrow a govern-

ment by force. He has since formed his own political party and is ready to contest a by-election: His new political group, the Chart Prachatippatai Party, has the support of about 60 MPs, including 23 who have defected

from another party.

Australians are kept in the dark

From Our Correspondent Melbourne, June 25

Australia's two most populous, states, New South Wales and Victoria; are in the grip of a power trists with severe restrictions on the use of electricity.

The public is angry because The public is angry because power cuts in both states last month were explained as once-only problems. For Victorians, this week's power restrictions come at the same time as the coldest weather for three years with temperatures below 10°C (50°F) in Melbourne and lower in some country areas.

One of the main sources of power for both states the

DOWEL for both states; the Snowy Mountains hydro-electric scheme, has been impaired by a recent drought, but the main

cause of the crisis appears to be a lack of planning. Radio and television services have not been affected but shop window displays, cinemas, sports arenas, air conditioning in industry, home heating and even hot water systems have all been restricted.

Power generators in both states have failed and there is no sign yet of an end to the restrictions. Such is the grow ing outrage of the public that the supply of power seems cer-tain to become an issue in the next state elections.



# Instability in Honduras

#### Uneasy peace as the milkman cometh

This is the third in a series of articles on Central America, the first of which appeared on

The knock on a street door at 4 am usually announces the milkman's arrival in sleepy Tegucigalpa but fears are grow-ing that one day it may herald

Honduras, Central America's poorest country, is wholly dependent on world prices for bananas and coffee. In the countryside, where two-thirds of the country's workers find occasional employment, the average wage is about \$100 (£50) a year.

The conservative armed forces have consolidated their hold on the country, staging seven coups in 25 years, but Honduras has so far escaped the social turmoil overtaking its neighbours, Guatemala, El Salvador and Nicaragua.

Opposition politicians are wondering how long their luck will hold. "We are still wondering why there has not been violence," said Senor Mario Ponce, Minister of Agrarian Reform between 1973 and 1975.

All the ingredients are present and social reforms are closer to dreams than reality. The Carter Administration convinced President Policarpo Paz Garcia, a five-star general, to return Honduras to civilian government by November. Constitutional Assembly elections in April resulted in a surprise victory for the Liberal Party.

The Liberals won 50 per cent of the votes, pushing the ultra-conservative National Party into second place and 35,000 votes behind. But instead of promoting reforms, the Liberals toed the government line. With presidential elections five months away, the party has imitated the conservatives and

prepared no manifesto. There is speculation parties reason is that both parties reason before There is speculation that the election time. "So far the leaders of both parties have done nothing to emphasize the

country's problems or to find answers to them", Señor. Manuel Gamero, editor of the independent Tiempo, said. "They are using the same electoral methods of 20 or 30 years ago. They want to defend the status quo. If nothing

changes, eventually we shall have violence, or the military will take control again after any presidential election," he said. The country has been close to war with Nicaragua in recent months, with skirmishes along the border. Nicaragua feels

threatened by the presence in Honduras of thousands of defeated Nicaraguan National Guardsmen. Honduras believes the build-up of the Nicaraguan armed forces to more than 40,000 members is intimidating.

A reason for the absence of internal violence in Honduras in recent years is that the army generally has not been oppres sive. It even introduced agran ian reform in 1975, but that foundered on the resistance of the rich traditionalists among the four million inhabitants.

Secretary-General of the People's Liberal Alliance, a dissident, social democratic faction of the Liberal Party complained that much of the money intended for the countryside had found its way into the pockets of colonels and other high-ranking officers.

As a result of the credit shortage, tens of thousands of form labourers have flocked to the hills on the edge of Tegucigalpa, where they live in slums of wooden shacks. Official reached disgusting levels , one Honduran banker said. I'm amazed by the degree of corruption in such a poor country

# Are you driving your executives too far?

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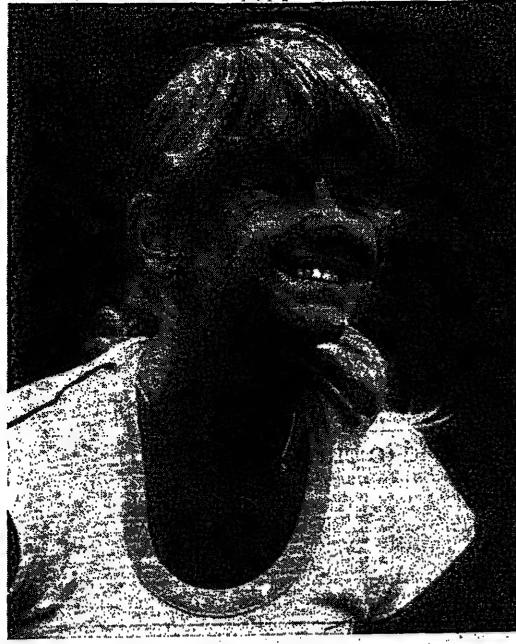
He can do just about everything, in fact, that he could do in his office. And he can do it at his leisure.

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This is the age of the train ==





Over the moon: Sue Barker at the moment of victory over thirteenth seed Bettina Bunge.

#### Damping the fires of a volcano

By Geoffrey Green

Lowering skies and a chill wind again combined to hide the sun of Wimbledon's fourth day. Even so nothing could detract from moments of inspiration as John McEnroe, of the United States, finally damped the fires of the unseeded Ramirez 6-3, 6-7 (tie break 8-6), 6-3, 7-6 (tie break 8-6). For two fourther hours a match which had been interrupted by rain the previous evening at one set and 5-5 swung back and forth. The athletic Mexican, a player also of basketball and footplayer siso of baskethall and foot-ball, rumbled and threatened like a volcano about to erupt. McEnroe was challenged every inch of the way and indeed had to save set points in the tenth game of the fourth set and again. inch of the way and indeed had to save set: points in the tenth game of the fourth set and again in the te break. But for a couple of inspirational shots of lightning reflex he would have been taken to the last furlong. But it proved once again that he can rise to a cities like a ship on a lifting tide.

It was at that moment too that woung gentleman of a blonde one was talking to James Van hiors mane and a Rolls Royce or Allen, the American owner of a two, left few memories as he tends museum on Rhode Island, beat the tall, angular South whose revolutionary deas for a African Curren 6-3, 6-7 (the new method of scoring eventually ide.

: McEnroe however stormed to rallies were rivetting and emotive:

Go and yet another its break.

McEuroe saying a set point in the tenth game with his tenth service match came from the racket of ac. In contrast he asis served Ramirez. It was a subile back hand, cross court. It disk mediocre artist is always at his caught McEuroe flat footed as the sparkled. And there were strikes Mexican all but numbled into the crowd. It gave him the first tie middle or old age.

Results at Wimbledon on fourth day

#### Borowiak gets on his bicycle and goes to work on Gottfried

His happy-go-lucky nature is about 20 years our of date. As long ago as 1971, he reached the last 16 by beating somehody called Frank Sedgman. The last ne sight of lating accur-psed on Wednesday by the it of falling rain, assumed even ater clarity on the fourth day the Wimbledon Championships. time Borowiak played Wimbledon; in 1979, he was beaten by Gottsixth, seventh and eighth seeds the men's singles were all Brian Teacher was beaten urprise because we knew round vesterday. tall, personable players closely matched.
an Gottiried and Roscoe

nge was not. The interesting thing about Miss

bbs are also in the last 32, the ish women are having their to wimbledon since 1975. Let us too, that in the same round three black competitors—lie Allen, Renee Biount, and irea Buchanan. Althea Gibson, mplon in 1957 and 1958, laid additions on which something stantial is at last being built-to-complete the precis of out-

committee to apply

crowd within the grounds to 31,000 at any one time. They must be given the benefit of the doubt because in the evenings many walk out and many walk in, which wells the aggregate without necesarily swelling the existing population.

bicycle yesterday, because it seemed to make seese. Borowiak is like that. Totally unaffected by all the razzamataz of professional

Today's order

of play

the members' enclosure and wandering roses. Gottfried, who reached the last eight in 1978 and Tamer were less predictably beaten by Jeff Borowiak and Carlos Kirmayr, easy-going chaps in their thirties, whose horizons have always been too broad to the last four a year ago, is an the last four a year ago, is an exemplary professional and a charming man. He must find it puzzling to play people like Borowiak, whose enviable talents tend to be mercurial in their mit an exclusive concentration tennis. Susan Barker's defeat the 13th seed in the women's m, Bettina Bunge, created no Borowiak, whose enviable to tend to be mercurial in flowering. Yesterday, they in full bloom.

in full bloom.

The difference in character was most strikingly illustrated when the third game of the third set ended with skidding acrobatics in the forecourt. Both fell down. Gottfried got up looking thoughtful. Borowiak got up grinning, as if every such incident was no more than a jolly painting on the wall. He is a private man, but seems to have more fun than most.

Kirmayr was cast in a similar mould, mentally anyway. He plays the drums and guitar and used to feature in a rock group known as "The Fleabags". Nobody took much notice of him until, in May, this year, he beat John McEnroe, Balazs Tarocry, and Wojtek Fibak to reach the final of the Tournament of Champions at Forest Hills—and promptly shaved off his beard ("I had a heavy moustache and most people thought it was a beard").

The truth is that Kirmayr's

The truth is that Kirmayr's head seemed to be mostly hair, until Forest Hills, Then he emerged from all that with a new face and a new attitude, beat Gottfried, to reach the last 16 of the French championships, and then set his sights on Wimbledon. He is droll, deeply thoughtful, 5 feet 3 inches, and 30 years old. "Tall guys have shorter careers.

enough to beat him.

In the women's event Miss Hobbs beat Virginia Wade, 6—1, 7—5. In four previous Wimbledons Miss Hobbs had won only one singles. Now she was too good for the 1977 champion in the first match they had played together. Miss Hobbs said she had wanted to play Miss Wade before the latter's refrement. She seized her opportunity admirably—not least at the crisis of the second set, when she might have been overwhelmed by the stress of the occasion and the weight of her opponent's reputation.

Berty Store, runner up to Miss

it instead around her game, she came back to win the last six games for a place in the third

#### How Miss Barker grafted on a winning skin

By Stuart Jones

The ceiling may have been grey but there were shafts of bright studight shining through on court No 4 yesterday. Susan Barker, whose career has been threatened by lujury, loss of form and an alsatian, illuminated the afternoon with flashes of brilliance and inspiration. That a Briton should win was joyful enough. That she should remove a seed in doing so was a pleasant surprise.

was 15, she is a that by the comment in the Federation Cup—lives in Switzerland and holds an American visa, where the is ranked 18. She speaks four languages and her

not repeat for half an hour. There were so many breaks in that first set that a surgeon might well have been called in to repair the damage. No bandages can be wrapped around wounded confidence, though, and it was only heropponent's errors that kept Miss Barker's hopes alive.

and was still staring at the line judge as she lost the last four. points of the fie break to lose it 7—3.

Miss Barker co-wrote a book two years ago emittled "Playing Tennis" and a chapter may have been devoted to determination. Within minutes she had raced to within minutes she had raced to making obscene gestures at wimbledon spectators daring his spraying supreme winning forehands and backhands like confetti British player Richard Lewis.

Buehning disciplined

#### Carry on grunting

news will come as a relief to Jimmy Connors, whose grunts earned him a rebuke this week. The Lawn Tennis Association recently issued a directive to Wimbledon umpires to discourage grunning on court in an attempt to silence those players who make a noise when exerting themselves on court. But Herbert Syndercombe, secretary of the Lawn Tennis 'Umpires' Association, said: "As long as it doesn't upset the opponent and the opponent does not complain, then the player cannot be defaulted. Umpir es have been told to play

it down—to accept it unless there are major complaints from opponents. In moderation it is all

Connors said: "I laughed when I heard that Wimbledon had tried to put a stop to grunting. I am grunting well this year, but I cannot help it. In the first match the umpire did ask me to hold down the grunting but I told him there was nothing I could do about it and he could only default me. "Others like Gottfried, Mc-Emroe and Chris Lloyd—men and women alike—grunt and I have heard many kids in the parks hir-ting two handed backhands and going ugh."

# good reason to roar 32 miles per hour and it confirms his position as favourite for the 1981 tour. The Frenchman's gift is that he can climb mountain

A caged lion who has

BORDEAUX

In ax minutes and 48 seconds this afternoon Bernard Hinault proved himself the Borg of the bicycle world by winning the 3.6 miles prologue and the first yellow jersey of the 63 Tour de France. He finished seven seconds clear of Gerrie Knetemann of the Netherlands. a specialist at brief-time

even minute barrier.
Of the 134 riders who had started to one minute intervals before the containing the fastest had been a kneremann, the lastest had been a Frenchman, Gilbert Duclos-Lasalle and a Belgian, Gery Verlinden, who were both four seconds outside seven minutes. Conditions were perfect; with a gentle breeze blowing off the Mediterrapean and a hazy sun warming the thousands things the Promerade de Applies.

cycling surt with a rainbow emblem, as reigning world-champion, Himanit was like a caged lion before his effort begau. A last turn around the palm-fringed flower beds, and then the 26-year-old was astride his aero-dynamic Gitane bicycle, gulping in deep breaths of air before launching himself down the strating raup. The cheering

and Joop Zoetemelk (fourtesouth), winner of the Tour de France last year. Zoetemelk, aged 34, again proved that this race inspires him and that his improved form in the tour of Switzerland last week was perhaps a sign of better things to come

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#### Football

#### stands towards Purney. No such exasperation was shown by the next loser, Kathy Rinald, aged 14, even though she yielded the last two sets to Claudia Pasquale, a qualifier, without a game and scarcely a point. Full of the Imperuous enthusiasm of youth, the did not care to take the time when her match alid away from under her young feet. Miss Pasquale will meet Dianne Fromholtr in the next round. Defeat will have done Miss **Price considers** a transfer to Tottenham

Defeat will have done Miss Rinaldi no harm, although she was fighting back the tears at the stumbled her way to the changing rooms. "I played stupid", she said, with refreshing honesty. Her only consolation lay in the distant Paul Price, Luton Town's Welsh international defender will decide today whether to join FA Cup winners Tottenham Hotspur. The clubs have agreed the fee and rice said last night: "I have been to Tottenham and littened to their

Hockey

#### Slough are no match for **Australians** By Sydney Friskin

Australia's hockey team, con-tinued their march of triumph in Europe at Staines yesterday by maintaining their proud unbeaten to Tostenham and listened to their record. The Australians took the rerors. I have passed a medical and I said I want to think it over before making a decision. I have promised to let them know to morrow. The first half and one in the second.

is in the middle of his testimonial year.

Tommy Docherty's new club Preston North End, who gave West Bromwich Albion a big scare in the fourth round of last year's League Cup, have been given a first-round draw against Halifax Town in next season's competition.

Bury & Carllele.

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from open play. It was a brilliant centre from the right by Batch that helped Francis score with a crisp angular shot. The Austrilians play an England XI at Chalfont St Peter today (6.30).

SLOUGH: I C B Taylor: P J Barber, M S Flora, J M Allen, 5 S Knchar, B S Daved, B & Flora, R S Caly, 9 Parlington, B S Saina, K S Dhak, AUSTRALIAN XII M Spowner, M Nobles, C Davies, D Bell, T King G Boyce, T Walsh, C Batch, W Thornton, P Hazelburst, D Francis, Umpires, O Bruce, lEngland and G Ashley (Australia).

#### Basketball ...

#### Jeremich aims for fitness

By Nicholas Harling By Nicholas Harling
Four players, who have yet to represent England are in the squad that will compete in the fifth William Jones Cup in Taipel from July 18 to 31. They are the Crystal Palace pair Kolton Lee and Mike Bett together with George Branch of Fiat, Birmingham and Cedrick Frederick of Ovaltine, Hemel Hempstead.

Requests were granted to those players, who asked to be umitted after playing for England in the recent European Championship finals but a third Crystal Palace player Peper Jeremich was one man, who was only too keen to resume bis international career. Jeremich missed the last stages of the scason with a terrible knee

the season with a terrible knee injury which threatened his career and now wants to prove his fit-

ness in time for the new season.
Top national and tiub teams from all over the world will be participating in the prestigious tournament, which will be the last assignment for Vic Amber, the England coach, who has announced his resignation after 10 years in the job.
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#### Politics in sport

#### Frustration finds a voice

public frustration at political in-terference yesterday launched an organization called "Freedom in Sport ". They also claimed to uphold the right of the individual to pursue sporting interests wherever they liked and to promote multi-racial sport, which quickly led to support for "con-tact" with South Africa and the Springboks rugby tour of New

Syd Millar, a former coach and

referee, that the United Nations "black list" of sportsmen who had contact with South Africa was "the last straw". According to Mr Miliar the list was a negative influence which they had to answer. Tommy Campbell. another of the founder members. said if such lists were seen to succeed it would be like a high-jacking with people "thinking it was a good idea".

Mr Aston said that as athlete: should have been free to decide for themselves about competing in Moscow, so the New Zealand

ruzby players should make their decisions about playing against the South Africans. He also claimed that changes would soon be seen in South Africa's discriminatory laws allowing at least football to be recognized by its international federation.

The group say they want sportsmen to be consulted before such issues as the Gianagales. such issues as the Glencagles Ar cement are carried out. They claim support from "several" members of Parliament.

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(Mexico) 6-3 6-7
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(US) 6-3 6-5 8-7
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7-5. G Kronk (Australia) best C Roger-Vasselin (France) 7—5. 6—7. 6—3. 6—4. C Kronk (Australia) best W R Pascas (Australia) 7—5. 6—3. Pascos (Australia) T—5, 6—3, 6—5, 6—6, 6—6, 6—6, 6—2, 15—6, 6—2, 15—6, 6—2, 15—6, 6—2, 15—6, 6—2, 15—6 

Yachting

Men's doubles

E. GOTTFRIED (US) and R. RAMIREZ (Mexico) best D. Carrer (Australia) and P. C. Rook Anstralia) and P. C. Rook Anstralia) and P. C. Rook Anstralia (Mexico) best R. C. Reven CB) and J. M. Dier (GB), 7—6, b—1, —4.

Women's singles

Second round

Miss A E Robbs (GB) best Miss B V

Wade (GB) 6-17-5.

Miss B Nagoison (GB) best Miss E

M Gordon (SA) 6-0, 2-6, 6-2,

Miss S Barker (GB) best Miss B

BUNGE (Germany) 6-7, 6-3, MISS T A AUSTIN (US) beat Miss
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Antonopolls (US) 6—1. 5—1.
A Tosquarder (US) beat Miss
J. Dupont (US) 6—1. 3—6. 6—1.
Miss K Jorden (US) beat Miss M
Mesker (Nederlands: 6—4. 6—3.
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Etsteriobner (Germany) 7—6. 4—9.
6—2.

Miss E A Waleh (US) beat Miss E Sayors (Australia) 7-3. 6-3. Miss E Sayors (Australia) 7-3. 6-3. Miss E Sayors (Australia) 7-3. 6-3. Miss W W TURNBULL (Australia) 6-2. Miss G M Jevans (GB, 6-3.

Women's doubles

Women's doubles

Mrs C LLOYD (USA) and Miss B T
WADE (GB) beat Miss D K Chesterion (Anstralla) and Miss D K A
Taylor (GB) 5-1, 6-2,

Miss D Blaney (US) and Miss C M
O'Noti (Australla) baal Miss B
Bunge (Germany) 3-5, 5-2, 16-2,

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Callon (US) and Miss S Stratton
(US) 6-1, 1-4

Miss D FABRANK (SA) and Miss K C
Callon (US) and Miss C K Fornood
(US) 1-4

Miss A B Henticksson (US)

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6-5

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(US) and Miss K S Rinsidi (US)

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MISS N CASALS (US) and MISS P Johnson
(US) and Miss K M Bargin (US) and
Miss N F Pictorov (Australia) and
Miss S Klos (SA) and Miss P A

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To be earrand: M C Riessen and Miss W M Turnbull v C Stable and Miss K G Joyes; M R Edmondson and Miss D L Frombolts v M J Sales and Miss J M Dutte; A M Jarrelt and Miss D A Jevans v F D Mcadulan and Miss B F Stove. Touts and street vendors out-Touts and street ventors ourside Wimbledon faced a clampdown by police yesterday, the
Press Association reports. There
have been more than 100 arrests
since the tournament began on
Monday. Even official programme
sellers have been restricted from
trading ourside the ground.

As a result many touts now sell their tickets as far afield as Wimbledon or Southfields underwimbledon of Southfeld that is ground stations. The goingrate for a seat at the men's final is £300 and for the women's final £250. Police warned tennis enthusiasts not to be duped into buying take tickets.

#### Pieres mistake decides

close match By John Watson

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Polo spectators can rarely have seen such parity of strength either in player ability or pony power, as they witnessed at Chrencester Park yesterday, when Galen Weston's Maple Leafs heat Alex Ebeid's Falcons by eight goals to seven in the semi-final round of the high-goal Charles Heidsieck Warwickshire Cup.
Both sides marked and rode off their opposite humbers with the jealousy of cats: Consequently, the Falcons' central force of Hector Merlos and Gonzalo Pieres did not look nearly, as devastating as it had in the quarter-final challenge against the Centanrs; nor did the Maple Leafs' main power, Howard Hipwood and Stuart McKenzie, Yesterday's match saw 3—3 on the scoreboard at treading in time, and 6—6 in the pennitimate thukka. Then Reddy Watt, riding a fast Anglo-Argentine from Weston's fine string, called Easter, came up from behind to make it ton's fine string, called Easter, came up from behind to make it 7—6; and, in the last chukka, Ripwood galloped in from the side, finding the flags with a spectacular hit between his pony's legs, putting the Maple Leafs two shead. Pieres reduced that lead to 7—8.

In the last minute, Falcons were awarded a 60-yard penalty. Merlos quality, had taken the previous Falcons and dry. penalty shot with convincing success but, as he was now riding the chance of scoring ar equaliser, a difficult pony, Pieres was given However, he chose to dribble the ball and lost it: MAPIL IDST IT:

MAPIL HAAPS: 1. G Wrston (2);

L II Himmood (8); S. S Mickegzle
1: Tack, R Watt (5);

FALCONS: 1. A Fibrio (1); 2. G
pierce (9); L. A Fibrio (1); 2. G
PETRON (5); M Merios (7); back.

#### Equestrianism

#### Goldica's punishing round

another on Weenesday, nor the
home side on Argonant (only 2.5
seconds separated the winner from
Liz Edgar on Forever, who finished eighth) and the second by
Gilles Bertran de Balanda on
Grand Coeur Malesan for France.
Only two went clear, and the
French pair were nine seconds
faster. Wiltfang and Goldica disputed seventh place with Fred
Welch on Norbain True Grit.

Yesterday Goldica and Thomas
Fuchs (Switzerland) on the 11year-old brown Irish mare, Tullis
Lass, were the sole survivors of year-old brown trisk mare, full's Lass, were the sole survivors of the 'two rounds and went against the clock in the decider. Goldica removed the faraide pole, from the last huge spread in a beatable time and Tullis Lass, who has far more auditing chould have been home

quality, should have been bome and dry.

But she took off on a bad stride at the water, landed short, pecked and fell, to skid several feet on her side and retire lame. So Goldica, who had received a punitive jab in the mouth for hitting the last fence, suddenly found himself being remounted, patted perfunctorily, and riden into the ring to receive the spoils of victory

From Pamela Macgregor-Morris
Aachen, June 25
Gerd Whifang, the baker's son from Bremen, who won the 1978
world championship here in Aachen on the remarkable sixyear-old, Roman, and the following year established a virtual monopoly on the international titles by taking the European championship on the same bosse in Rotterdam, yesterday won the international championship of the rederal Republic of Germany on the mine-year-old groy Westphalian stallion, Goldica.

But it was very much a victory by default. A qualifying competition was field on Tuesday and another on Wednesday, the first wor by Franke Slootmak for the home side on Argonaut (only 2.5 seconds separated the winner from Liz Edgar on Forever, who finished tighth) and the second by home of the second separated the winner from Liz Edgar on Forever, who finished eighth) and the second by

Towerlands Chelsea Girl.

Twelve national teams and 316 horses have gathered at this spiritual home of show jumping to jump the toughest and also the fairest courses in the world, built by "Mickey" Brinckmann, who was in the German cavalry team in the late 1930s. Mrs Edgar (Forever), Pyrah (Towerlands Anglezark), Nick Skeiton (Maybe) and Fred Welch (Norbain Norstar) have been nominated by Ronnic Massarella for the British team in today's Nations Cup.

Massarella for the British team in today's Nations Cup.

After the Belgian team event at Liège last week, where Britain took West Germany to a jump-off before conceding victory. France are in the lead for the President's Cup with 18; points from Britain (13) while Spain and West Germany are dispuing third place on 15 faults.

\*\*Terretational Championship:

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#### Mac defies the waterfalls for a stylish win

By Keith Macklin More than a quarter of a million More than a quarter of a minion gallons of water were poured on to the show jumping course at the Lincolnshire show ground on Wednesday night following Lionel Dunning's withdrawal of his horses, and a series of slips and falls by other horses and riders duning Wednesday's owners.

during Wednesday's events.

This man-made deluge at Lincoln took away the slickness and bone-hard dryness from the arena, and yesterday Dunning relented and entered Jungle Bunny in the Everest Double Glazing Stakes. However, there proved to be too much water for Jungle Bunny, who was one of the many horses who found the 14-foot water jump too much of an obstacle following a sharp turn on Dai Williams's cun-ning course.

The difficult water jump, coming off a tight bend, was re-sponsible for far more trouble than the big triple combination, and it was quite a change to see the water proving the main stumbling block. Eight of the 25 first-round

Eight of the 25 first-round entrants went through to the jump-off, avoiding the water hazard—Michael Mac on Arksey, Vicky Gascoine (McGinty). John Whitaker (Askern), Marion Mould (Nice 'n' Easy), Michael Saywell (Moydrum), Caroline Bradley (Tricentrol Manuel), Pam Dunning (Roscoe) and Ann Wilson (Owen Gregory).

borsewoman, who made the water jump look like child's play on Tricentrol Manuel, rode with her right hand in plaster (ollowing a

A group professing to represent

Syd Millar, a former coach and manager of British Lions tours to South Africa, said people were "sick and tired" of political interference and FTS were concerned that there was no voice answering the "antis"; those groups like SANROC (the South Africa Non-Racial Olympic Committee) who they saw as "purely political" with doubtful "lines of communication" possibly extending "as far as Moscow". It was readily admitted by Ken

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Arbitrary and selective windshifts again played a decisive part in the destination of the Fireball class world championship when racing continued at Weymouth yesterday. Kim Slater the defending champion, made the most of what Dame Fortune offered him in the sixth race of the series, to achieve a win that gives him a good chance to retain his title in today's final race. Philip Morrison, the leader on points all week, is still ahead, but after his second poor result of the series, his lead has been drastically reduced.

It is beginning to look as if

opening beat to windward and there was no reason why any of the stories should be disbelieved. A big windshift occurred halfway through the leg that effectively removed any hope of success for about half the fleet and offered the chance of a lifetime to some of the others. Within a few minutes a group of boats on the port side of the course, that had not previously

looked particularly threatening, were suddenly out in front, on their own. The Hennig brothers of Brazil, whose previous best result was twenty-fifth, (out of 48), led comfortably round the wind-

and Slater.

The breeze was by no means light as it so often is when it shifts, but northerly, coming off the land, never a steadying influence on a summer's day. The reaching legs were quickly covered by the planing boats and it was here that Warden-Owen gained many places, to complete the first round in eleventh place. The Hennigs moment of glory soon passed. Both McLaren and Slater overtook them before the gybe mark and they ended the race in twenty-seventh position.

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It is beginning to look as if this year's championship will go to one of four contenders, all of them British. Only 14 points separate Morrison, Lawrie Smith. Slater and Edward Warden-Owen, with the next boat a further 16 points behind. Warden-Owen was second yesterday, by dint of sheer hard sailing. Smith was eighth, also as a result of many places gained during the race, and only Morrison had a really bad day, in eighteenth place.

Sailors, like anglers, are prone to exaggerate when it suits them and just as likely to rue the one that got away. Yesterday's hard luck stories centred around the opening beat to windward and there was no reason when are suits of the first round and was rever again headed, although McLaren amost caught him on the second was moved for the fourth beat. Was moved for the fourth beat when the wind was, again unpredictable. The windward mark was moved for the fourth beat when the wind reverted to near its moved for the fourth beat when the wind reverted to near its moved for the fourth beat when the wind reverted to near its moved for the fourth beat.

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OVERALL (with discard) 1. P Morrison and J Torner 38.7pts 2. L Smith and M Simpson 44: 6. Slater and Parsion 46: 4. Warden and Goirel 68: 6. J Bickerton and D Ness 72.4.

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#### Garnham in the mooi to show his seniors how

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent 110VE: Leicestershire but Sussex by four wickets

It needed a spirited innings from Michael Garnham, t young man of 20 with a cospositan background, to take Islesstershire through to the smi-final round of the Benson and Hedges Cup vesterday, with five alls to pare. Coming in during a 41st over, when Leicastershire needing 197, had got badly stuk, he scored 47, taking charge bwards the end from more semior payers.

Considering that they were the end from more senior payers.
Considering that they were
without Imran Khan and 1st a
toss which committed they to
batting in the much more awkward conditions of Wednsday
afternoon, Sussex did well to run
Leicestershire so close. In this
they were helped by an astoishing piece of captaincy yesteday
morning when Balderstone, lading Leicestershire in Tolchad's
absence, made no effort to dive
home Leicestershire's overnitht
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Although Sussex were already \$4 for five (after 28 overs) Baldestone began the day as though that not occurred to him to the and finish Sussex off. Rathethan starting with Roberts, the West Indian, and one of his other front-line bowlers, he had Steel at one end and Booth at the other, neither of them with a fielde: within 30 yards of the bat. It made a travesty even of one-day cricket. Although Sussex were arready as though that not occurred to him to try and finish Sussex off. Rathethan starting with Roberts, the West Indian, and one of his other front-line bowlers, he had Steel at one end and Booth at the other, neither of them with a fielde, within 30 yards of the bat. It made a travesty even of one-day cricket.

With the initiative thus handed to them, Sussex managed another 111 runs from their last five to a hook by Arnold which anywickets. Only Gould, who was in for 10 overs for four, failed to keep the score moving. After adding 67 with Phillipson, in the partnership which first righted the Sussex innings. Wells hooked a 88 for Lelcestershire's second long hoo to long leg. Sussex really wicket. Already Gower had held must find a regular place for Wells when, as a young Englishman, he can bot as well as this.



The Leicestershire opener, Steele, masked by Gould, is run out by le Roux's throw. until he was given out sweeping at Barclay, he batted beautifully besides bringing the best out of Balderstone.

With Davison taking over from Gower, with no less power. Leicestershire, with 22 overs left, eight wickets standing and only 82 needed, were coasting home. How was 1t, then, that the finish was so close? Barclay's bowling was the first reason. Having had Davison well caught at extra cover — Davison had swept, Barclay's previous ball for six—he pinned Briers down before having him caught on the midwicket boundary.

While this was happening Baalderstone's finding deserted him, and in the field. Sussex sensed that with a great effort

Surrey's generous offer

Parsons

R T Barclay, c Garnham, b

Rylor

D Booth Jones, c Garnham, b Total (9 wkts; inns cibed) 196 C E Waller 6td not bat. FALL OF WKENTS: 1-1, 2-20, 5-30, 4-48, 5-48, 6-114, 7-

Today's fixtures 11.00 to 7.001 INSON AND HEDGES CUP: Quarter TERBURY (or THE OVAL) Kent

Irishman's record attempt By Mitchell Platts

to run the risk of being fined for professional at Lindrick in York shire, a Ryder Cup player from Ireland, equalled the course from Ireland, equalled the course flow play. Indeed, his fears were forced by compiling a 67, five sufficed because, at the end of the round, he was taken to one side, together with his playing partners, Noel Ractifife of Anstrafez, 2000 Coral Classic at Royal Porthagmy yesterday. Tommy Horton, John O'Leary and Rernstant Africa, and all three were warned as to the speed of their play.

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hard Langer, of West Germany, all had 68's and Eddie Polland and John Morgan both moved into comention with 69.

The combination of a heavenly when the flags merely fluttered in a soft breeze, and the receptive greens; a product of generous warening the previous evening, caught Royal Porthcawl with her guard down. She was at her most vulnerable and Smyth took full advantage by covering the first nine holes in 30 strokes. It seemed for all the world that the course record, established 25 years ago by Dennis Smallidon and estalled by, Sandy Lyle last year, was his for the taking.

On the greens he was waving his putter like a magic wand, holling four-times as he did from between 10 and 20 feet, but one also had to admire the quality of his game and the courage with which he hit his three-wood approach to the green at the fifth (485 yards). He aimed left towards the boundary wall and with a low cut he cleverly brought the ball back towards and onto the saddle-shaped green. Two putts gave him, the best of his six birdies on the outward half.

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the weather usually arrives to belp
the course ward off the challenge
of a menacing golfer. On this
occasion, however, it was not the
elements which came to the rescue,
but Smyth's realization that his
group were taking such a time as

lia and Jeff Hawkes of Scuth Africa, and all three were warned as to the speed of their play.

Unhappily Smyth's fears out on the course also disturbed the momentum of his game, and after he successfully holed single purts to save his pars at the eleventh and thirteenth, he dropped shots at each of the 15th and 17th, So it was only at the 18th, where he confidently holed from 15 feet, that he was able to equal the record and take a slender lead:

Horton had already finished in 63 and he owed his score to his best putting round of the year. Horton restricted the use of his putter to 29 strokes and he explained afterwards that he obtained this one from Lee Trevino and that it is similar to the one that was stolen from him almost ten years ago. "Since then my putting has let me down time and time again," said Horton. "But I have already sent a letter to Lee to thank him for sending me this putter. I was 40 last week, and perhaps life has begun for me on the golf course again."

Langer, who has been runner-up in three tournaments this season, once again moved into contention and late in the day, when the wind had finally begun to blow, O'Leary completed an almost flawless round. He had opportunities to join his compartiot, Smyth, in the lead but missed from inside nine feet at the sixteenth and seventeenth holes.

Spare a thought for Andrew Limb. In the Sect tournaments of

Slow play warning interrupts an

on the right and by Josing, the ball on each orcasion.

He did make par with his fifth ball but, having already lost a ball earlier in his round, it was: bardly surprising that he elected to call it a day after driving at the 13th and once again losing another ball. "I just couldn't face another walk back to the tee", said Limb.

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#### Dutch girl's failure saves Irish blushes

Troia, Thursday, June 25 After they had put together a disappointing two-day total of \$10 in the European Women's team championship, the Irish side had to wait for the score of Katla Peterse of The Netherlands before they knew whether or not they had qualified alongside Scotland for the top flight of the match-play stages.

play stages.

If the Dutch girl had a 76 or better, the Netherlands were in. 77. or more and Ireland, the holders, would have the chance of continuing with the defence of beir title. In the event, the Dutch sirl, to a collective sigh of relief from the 25R Just purporter. siri, to a collective sigh of relief from the 250 Irish supporters, handed in 85.

That Ireland should have found themselves in such a tight situation in the first place was more than a little disappointing for the captain. Elaine Bradshaw.

The former Irish champion felt that her players had perhaps been too preoccupied with the perils of the sand-rut. "To hear them

would think that there were no fairways here at all ".

Miss Bradshaw had looked to Mary McKella and Maureen Madill to provide the basis of an impressive team score both yestedday and today—but the two seasoned campaigners accumulated scores of 49 over par for their four rounds.

Wilma Aitken, who was due out first for Scotland, was permitted to swop starting times with Belle Robertson because a stomach Mrs Robertson had an 81-but Mrs Robertson had an 81—but the Scottish captain, Ethel Jack, did, not have too long to wait for her first 2001 news of the day. With the teasing wind and difficult pin positions making good 200res harder to come by, Gillian Stewart still came in with a one-over par 74. Some superb iron play had paved the way for a birdie at the second and two more at the 13th and 14th.

Alison Gemmill, who made Scot-land's first-flight benth secure: Six over par after her first 11 holes, she had included four three-puri greens and a seven at the 10th a Then Miss Gemmill snatched four birdies from the last six holes. England, who ultimately finished twelfth out of the 15 nations, were cerusin candidates for the second division after: both Carole Caldwell and Sandra Cohen had amassed 91. As for Wales, they, like Ireland, had 810—but lost out

Newcastle programme

5.45 FAWDON STAKES (2-y-o : Malden fillies : £1,345 : 5£)

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Excavator Lady. 5 Nosbit. 8-8.
Gienside Lady. F Durr. 8-8.
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La Tourelle, EW Watts. 8-8.
Market Roes. C Cray. 8-8.
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9-4 La Tourelle, 7-2 Brezen Bid. 5-1 Hacitos, Gienside Ledy, 6-1 Orchy, 10-1 Chestnet Pale, 14-1 Market Rose, 16-1 others,

7.10 CAMPERDOWN HANDICAP (Selling: 3-y-0: 1m 1f)

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7.35 GOSFORTH PARK CUP HANDICAP (£9.819 : 5f)

8.5 ST OSWALD STAKES (3-y-o: Maidens: £1,996: 7f)

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001 Kamal (CD), J Hindley, 9-2

41 Saddlers Creek (D), J W Watta, 9-2

Mick's Rimal, M W Easterby, 8-11

Owan Rock, J Jordon, 8-11

2333 Tachywann, J Etherington, 5-11

wideo King, C Skritish, 6-41

9.5 JOHN OSBORNE HANDICAP (£1,289: 14m 60yd)

11-8 Aberfield, 2-1 Feetings, 7-2 Summer Path, 5-1 Carey's Choice, 14-1 others.

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FORTH PARK CUP HANDICAP (19,819: 51)

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24 Westacombe (CD), M Carmacho, 4-9-6

25 Sanu (O), F Durt, 5-9-6

26 Pentia Lad (D), Thomson Jones, 5-9-3

27 Lander of the Pack (D), R Hollinshead, 5-8-7

28 Lander of the Pack (D), R Hollinshead, 5-8-7

29 Sandes Snoy (D), R Armstrong, 3-8-7

20 Sandes Snoy (D), R Armstrong, 3-8-7

21 Hiss Rechnizhalf (C,D, B), J Messon, 4-8-1, R

22 Hiss Rechnizhalf (C,D, B), J Messon, 4-8-1, R

23 Pentia Lad (D), N Crump, 6-8-0

24 Pentia Color, C,B), M W Essleyby, 5-8-1, R

25 Sandes Snoy (D), N Crump, 6-8-0

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#### Evans and Pierse hit by change of fortune

Duncan Evans and Arthur Pierse, who yesterday helped Wales and Ireland to set the pace iqu the European Team Championship at St Andrews, found the old course a vastly different proposition today.

proposition today.

Evans, whose opening 67 kept Wales only one stroke behind the Irish team-total of 364 overnight, was 10 shots worse off in an unpredictable wind. The 22-year-old from Leek finished with a five over par 77 for a 36 holes total of 144. Pierse, who chased Evans hard for the best individual score vesteriay. 1828ed a 78 onto his

opening 70.

The testing inward balf, which has frequently been the ruin of many fine scores in the past, again began to take its toll. Evans found the constantly changing wind a tough proposition, and he came home in 40 for a round of 77, 10 strokes more than his first effort. Deeble fared little better, re-quiring 39 shots to cover the in-ward stretch due to another bout ward stretch due to another bout of three putting at the 10th, 11th and 16th. The Northumberland player finished on 76, exactly the same as the previous day, for a 36-hole total of 152, while his playing partner Howard took one more shor for 77 although he playing partner howard took one more shor for 77, although he finished with the same total as the Englishman.

Howard, who has led off Scot-land's challenge on both moru-ings, finished his round with four concention borgers. Please hy ings, finished his round with four consecutive bogeys. Plerse, by contrast, found difficulty in the outward half. The 29-year-old Tipperary amique dealer ran up a six at the seventh hole on his way to 40 out, then he three-putted the 12th, had bunker trouble at the 13th and another bogey at the 15th that put him seven over par and in imminent danger of failing to break 80.

But Pierse had a birdie at the last and finished four behind Evans on 148, level with Frenchman Alexis Godillot. Swiss player Carlo Rampone holed his tee-shot at the 11th hole, but his country is still unlikely to qualify for the main matchplay event.

For the record

Cricket

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No play yesterday

Lingfield Park programme

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04 Extreme Folly P Haslam, B.11
0000 Ringsper Lad, J Holf, B.11
000 Amber Affair, Pai Mitchell, B.1
22 Easy Mand, Mrs. Reavey, 8-8
000 Tudor Socretary, J Holt, B-8
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in, 10-1 Tudor Socretary, 12-1 others.

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By Michael Seely 3.0 Anywhichwayvoucan. 3.30 Norroy. 10 Roger Bacon. 4.30 Caralia. 5.0 La Mascotte. 5.30 Mumruffin. 6.0 Shab.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.0 Esther's Folly. 3.30 Magieknockater 4.0 Stern. 4.30 Amina. 5.0 Fee. 5.30 Salutius. 6.0 Bye Appeal.

5 30 WADHURST STAKES (2-v-o £1,881 : 5f)

3.0 FISHERMEN'S STAKES (Selling: 2-y-o: £932: 6f)

3.30 CAREWELL HANDICAP STAKES (Apprentices : £1,193 : 7f

There was never the slightest chance of any play in the Benson and Hedges quarter-final round between Kent and Warwicksbire at Cauterbury on Wednesday. But is was nearly three o'clock before hope was finally shandoned yesterday.

By passing such old stamping grounds of 40 years ago as Chatham and Sheerness on the way down for the second day in succession, it seemed as if the whole of kent—orchards, hops, oasthouses—was about to slide slowly into the sea. Surrey, however, had sent over their grey Whale drying machine from the Oxal and valuant efforts were made all the morning the organization to the seasonable, kent will obviously prefer to play on their houses—was about to slide slowly into the sea. Surrey, however, had the huttome by tossing a coin, captains have decided it woul! only be sensible to accept it.

a these bizarre circumstances a ecision will be then at 8 am tody by umpires and managers. whither to persevere with Camerbur or to transfer the match lock.

decided when neither breeze sun arrived to help the mr hine.

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they could still win; Whether it was Arnold within, the circle, Parker outside it or Barclay anywhere they were spiendid.

Between the 33rd over and the 42nd only 12 runs had been scored when Garpham came and did something about it. Born in Johannesburg, at school in Melbourne, Perth and Barnsinple, and a cricketer for Dovonshire and Gloucestershire, he may be no great shakes as a wicketkeeper (although

hakes as a wicketkeeper (alth

Belderstone, I-b-W. b Greig D I Gower, I-b-W. b Barclay B F Davison, c Phillipson, b Barclay

shakes as a wicketkeeper (although he did hold three catches) but his batting was capital.

Having done more than his share with Balderstone, he took charge from Roberts, who had come in wearning the red helmet which he will wear, I imagine, witen blunning with the Quoru.

from the long dark tunnel of the virus continued at Salisbury yesterday when Wille Carson and Solaboy just got the better of Incandesce and Pat Eddery in an area of the section of the locations.

2.45 GRIMTHORPE STAKES (2-y-o: £2,842: 6f)

3.45 LONDESBOROUGH HANDICAP (£2,281: 11m)

3.15 STOCKIL GUARANTEED STAKES (3-y-o: £1,035: 1m)

4.15 MARGARET GUARANTEED STAKES (Maiden 2-y-o c and

winner to have run in this com-try, the other being Guy Har-wood's lovely filly, Quest, who finished such a promising third to Fly Baby in the Queen Mary States at Royal Ascot. This is certainly a promising start to the stud career of one of the toughest Solaboy's rider, Carson, must

part in the work but was never asked to play a serious part.
Prince Eee (Brian Proctor) stepped inished such a promising third to Ely Baby in the Queen Mary Stakes at Royal Ascot. This is certainly a promising start to the stad career of one of the tonghest now be in with a great chance of winning his second successive lockeys championship. After the Champagne the Scotsman was only one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that both Herit's and John one winner behind Piggott. And it flow that sealing it was absolutely delighted, with Henbit was absolutely delighted, with Henbit with a shell with a shell

year-old toyed with the opposition to win by five lengths. Prior to that Norfolk Flight had only been tarrowly defeated by Lafontains at Great Yarmouth.

Another likely Newmarket trained winner on the Townmoor Padalco, who runs in the Margaret Maiden Stakes.

Arab's first of five The Arab Horse Society will hold the first of five summer meetings at the Larkhill polar-to-point course tomorrow (Saturday). Now in its fourth competitive season, the society have been granted Jockey Club permission to hold on-course beeting, and have drawn up their own form book. There will be six races on the card at each meeting, the next being at Mollington on July 18.

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Lent, 13-1 A.T.S. 8.35 ANGERTON STAKES (2-y-o : £1,398 : 6f)

#### Doncaster selections

By Michael Seely 6.45 Brazen Bid. 7.10 Maybehandy. 7.35 Sandon Buoy. 8.05 Arrowhead. 8.35 Tachywaun. 905 Aberfield.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.45 Brazen Bid. 7.35 Sann. 8.05 Russian Romance. 8.35 Kamal. 9.05 Aberfield.

#### Salisbury results 2.16 (2.18) DOWNTON HANDICAP-(5-9-0: £3.411: 7f)

10-y-0: 52,411: 7f)
DANCING SALLY, ch f, by Sallust
Dance All Night (Mrs. H Norton)
9-1 S Cauthen (7-1)
Hot Press D McKey (15-2),
Hat Press D McKey (15-2)
Maddion Style J Reid (9-1) TOTE: win, 75p: places, 17p, 17p, 45p, 15p, Dual F: 211.66, CSF: 25.54, J Duallop at Arundel, Short head, neck, 6-1 fav Doctor Faustue, Rushmoor (7-1) 4th, 16 ran, 1 min 29.15 secs.

(4.16) CARNARY
(5.17) 4th, 15 ran. Imin 03.01sec.

5.15 (3.18) CHAMPAGNE STAKES
(2.4-0: 55.350: 6f)
SOLABOY, ch. c. by The MinstrelSeminar (Lary Beaverbrook)
(3.11) 4th Carson (seems fav. 1)
Facandece .... P Eddary (4-1) 2
Burnary Sam. (5.21)
TOTE: win 189; places 109, 249.

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TOTE: Win 189; places 109, 249. peminar (Lary Beaverrook).

Sell ... W Carson (swiss fav. 1 Ballytop ... Macke (11-10 fav. 2 Barasty Sam. G Starkey (50-1) 3 TOTE: win 18p: blaces, 10p. 24p. 85p. Dual F: 21p. CSF: 58p. H Price, 29p. Dual F: 55p. CSF: 52p. W Hern. at Findom, 31, 31, Tipo (20-1) 4th. 24th (35-3) CARNABWAN CARNAGE (20-1) 2 Tan. 2min 41.53sec.

2.45 (2.48) SOUTHAMPTON STAKES
Maidem 2-y-o c & g: £1.496::.5f)
BURNEECK, b c, by Music Boy—
Festival Night (Mis N Sampson):
9-0 ... L Pignot (1.0-1) 47 1
Diamond King ... B Rosso (20-1) 2
Porest Rido ... W Carson (10-1): 5
TOTE: win 24p: pieces, 19p, 71p, 16p, Dual F: £8.08, CSF: £3.00, P

5.18 (5.33) TISBURY STAKES (Div I: 3-y-0 maiden fillien; 21.264; 7() 3-y-c manden filler; 21.264: 7f)
APPLEMINT b. t. by Bir Iwor—
Elitaley. (Sir 'J Arror): 9-11

Seven Seas. ... P Eddery. (30-1): 2
Barbara Allen ... I Johnson (35-1): 2
Barbara Allen ... I Johnson (35-1): 3

TOTE: Win, 15p: places, 13p. 29p.
El. 60. Dual P. 21.36. CSF: 37p. W
Hern, 2t West Esley. 2-1, head.
Deutzia. (16-1): 4dn. 19 ran. lmin.
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Newcastle results

3 0 15.2; STEGSHAW STAKES (Sell-tage: 2-y-o-£1,272; 51) COOL WIND, ch f by Windlammer —Cool Mistres (J Heymans), 9-8 K Darley (6-4 fay) 1 Wee Fred Lowe (7-2) 2 Patchit C Dwyer (6-1) 3 TOTE: Win, 28p: places, 11p. 10p. 15p Dual F 42a, CSF: 64p. J Berry, et Cockerham, 2-1, i. Double Aceptot 112.1; 4th, 8 ran. NR: Josellia, 1 min C 3-40 soc.

Lingfield Park selections

3.50 · 3 51 · DOESON PEAGOCK HAN-DICAP (24,635: 1m)

ASFRICANOS, b g by African Sly-Welshpool · A Granti, 4-8-15

N Cardisle (0-1) 1

Roside . . . . C Dwyer (11-1) 2

Town Sky . . . J Lowe (6-1) 3 TOTE: Win. 21.05: places, 28n, 52p, 20p Dual F: \$25.47, \$25; \$20; \$0.00;

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2.50 /2.34, PLAGDON STAKES (2-y-o 4.0 (3); WALLSEND HANDICAP

MAJOR DOMO, br c by Mandraks
Queery 1D Altwood; 8-8

Hot Anna ... M [Birch (14-1) 2

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Sieelsiack ... M Wigham (6-1 4.30 (4.3) HEDDON HANDICAP (3-y-0: \$\724: 1'em) 

# Carson leads jockeys' race after treble

Beaverbrook's behalf by Colonel meeting and Applement's trainer sport is also promised at Don-Bloodstock Agency for \$220,000 at the Saratoga sales. The two-year old is a bright chestmat colt by The Minstrel and is only the second offspring of the 1977 Derby winner to have run in this computer. The other being Care H. Dunlop's Fingal's Cave also took exciting finish to the six furlong Champagne Stakes. As the pair flashed past the past locked to gether no one knew for certain which had prevailed. "I thought we were beat," said Major Hern." I thought we'd just won, "countered Sir Gordon: Richards, Lady Beaverbrook's racing manager. The camera showed that Solaboy had won by a short head. Gavo, and Incandesce made the early pace with Carson giving the favourite plenty of time to find his stride. Gavo the not religible the firm conditions underfoot and dropped as the final bartle developed. Carson, must have forced Solaboy's head in from at the very last stride.

As usual Hern was reluctant to commit himself to future plans as he would obviously like to talk matters over with the owner. "Solaboy ran a bit green," said last year's champion trainer, "I didn't think he would after the way in which he moved to the start."

Solaboy was bought on Lady

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Doncaster programme

2.15 GEORGE BOON HANDICAP (Apprentices: 3-y-o: £1,270:

1 hm | 1 hm | 2 G Durileid 15
N Howes 5
P Robinson 11
A Wertham
K Darley
R Still 14

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#### Newcastle selections

4.45 (5.55) TISBURY STAKES (DIV II: 3-y-o maiden fillies; £1.262; 7f) 3-y-o maiden filler: \$1,263: 71; Show MaiD gr f, by High Top—Show Hablt (Mrs E Longton) 8-11. W Carson (10-1) 1 Northern Chance I. Piggott (2-1 lav) 2 Och Aye 1 Johnson (5-1) 2 TOTE: Win. 21,15: places. 23p, 13p, 21p, Duil F. E2,27; CSF; 23,09 Cole at Lembourn. 51. 21. Haughty Manner (11-2) 3th, 18 rm. Imin 28,69sec. PlacePOT: £18.05,

# The man who wants Harrods and seems certain next week to take over The Observer

# The myths and enigmas of Tiny Rowland

featured no fewer than six times in the June 1935 issue of The Churcherian, the magazine of Churcher's College, a small independent boarding school for boys in Hamoshire.

It recorded that he had broken the school record for the 120 yards hurdles; won his school colours for shot-putting; and was a promising three-quarter in the 1st XV— "although he must be quicker off the mark."

off the mark.

At a meeting of the school debating society R. W. Fuhrhop had opposed the motion that capital punishment should be abolished. The Churcherian reported: "He quoted statistics to the chart that waste supporters." to show that many murderers had been punished with life imprisonment instead of ex-ecution. A life sentence was too dreadful a punishment. It re-duced criminals to wrecks. Death was far better and saved the country money and

The persuasive eloquence of the tall 17-year-old prefect from Nelson House won the day. The motion was lost by 20 votes to 6.

A final entry in the magazine noted that R. W. Fuhrhop (1934-35) "has commenced a business career and is now in a merchant's office. We wish him

Today R. W. Fuhrbop is better known as Tiny Rowland, chief executive and managing director of Lourho, a sprawling international conglomerate of almost 1,000 subsidiaries stretching from Sheffield steelworks and Zambian breweries to South African goldmines and barring last-minute bitches and, barring last-minute hitches, one of the world's most-famous liberal newspapers. Edward Heath once described the com-pany as "the unacceptable face of capitalism." It is certainly a cuckoo in the capitalist nest, disdained by the big City institutions, beloved by its small shareholders and everywhere dominated by its charismatic chief

The public activities of Lonrho have become world-famous—enough in the view of Rowland's opponents to debar him from the ownership of *The* Observer. The private life of Tiny Rowland has, however remained strictly private. The gap between schoolboy R. W. Fuhrhop and today's international tyconh has been allowed to be filled with myths and enigmas.

He is reluctant to be interviewed and refused on this, as on many other occasions. A. fellow-director commented:
"The fact that he is a highly successful businessman does not make him a public figure as he

scrver. Britain's oldest Sunday newspaper with a worldwide reputation and a proud history in defence of free speech, Rowland would become the effective owner of a national

institution and an ex-officio
public figure whether he liked
it or not. If his bid for the
House of Fraser were also to
pass the Monopolies Commission, he will become the da
facto proprietor of another
national institution: Harrods.
His self-imposed rules of silence
may have to change.

Mr Ogilvy—subsequently to
bis considerable cost—was
drawn by the dynamism and
then into the company. Rowland
exchanged his Rhodesian interests for shares in Lorsho and
the company began to take off.

A typical example of the

Rebirth of

Changing his name had not been enough to give him a fresh start in life. Changing continents was. After the war

the Hon Angus Ogilvy, who married Princess Alexandra,

the Queen's cousin, in 1963,

was sent to Southern Rhodesia

as a talent scout.

Lonrho

the company began to take off.

A typical example of the extraordinary Rowland style of those years was Lourbo's last great Rhodesian, coup before UDI obliged at to turn as energies elsewhere in Africa. Rowland saw the idea of bringing bil to landlocked Rhodesia by a pipeline from the Mozambique port of Beira. This was the shoutest route, a far better proposition than bringing up refined perroleum products by rail and road from South Africa, and a natural money-spinner. may have to change.

The hidden life of R. W. Fuhrlop began in India in 1917.
He was the son of Wilhelm
Friederich Fuhrhop, a Hamburg
merchant and his English wife,
Muriel Carton. The Fuhrhops, Muriel Carton. The Fuhrhops endured fierce anti-German feeling in World War One and once it was over, they returned to Germany. There the future Tiny Rowland, like most boys of his age, foined the Hitler Youth in 1933. Two elder brothers became officers in the Wehrmacht. Though the father was not a Nazi sympathizer, he was interned as an enemy alien when he came to stay in England. Tiny went to Churchers in Petersfield and subsequently changed his name by deed poll to Rowland, the name of an uncle on his mother's side.

In 1939 he was conscripted

#### Modern-day colonialism

Mozambique was then a Portuguese colony lethargically run from Lisbon, Rowland is In 1939 he was conscripted into the British Army but his run from Lisbon, Rowland is said to have made no fewer than 72 visits to President Salazar's government in pursuit of his pipeline dream. This degree of persistence verges on the frightening and it was to be repeated elsewhere. links with the Third Reich, pre-vented his going into a combat unit. He became an orderly in the Royal Army Medical Corps but his efforts to get his father released from internment eventually drew the wrath of eventually drew the wrath of his commanding officer, a month in the "glasshouse", and nine months' internment on his own account. He was allowed to join his parents in the Isle of Man, where his mother fell ill with cancer, after voluntarily joining his father, and eventually died. Rowland was then released from internment and finished the war doing various jobs for the Ministry of Labour.

He got his viveline working just before UDI and it functioned with promise of great profit for precisely nine months until United Nations sanctions, to Rowland's abiding resentment, brought the British naval blockade of Beira. The blockade, however, was a charalle because Rhodesia got charade herause Rhodesia got all the oil it wanted via South Africa. But Rowland was and is not the kind of man to take such a semback philosophically. Some day, no master how much later, somebody would pay for it in one way or emother. Eventually they did.

In his African wanderings after 1965. Rowland conducted himself like an old-fashioned merchant venturer of the early days of compine. There were only two differences: the empires had gone, never to return, so that Rowland had to become an unashamed meeting. continents was. After the war he spent two years building some capital by buying and selling consumer-goods businesses before emigrating to Southern Rhodesia. For a time, he concentrated successfully on buying property and farms. Then in 1961, four years before Ian Smith declared UDL a meeting of company directors in London made the decision that set Rowland on the controversial path he is still following today. It was decided that something should be done to revitalize a small and somnolent subsidiary called London and Rhodesian Mining and Land Company. One of its directors, the Hon Angus Ogilvy, who become en unashamed men-colonialist; and he made tall use of twentieth-century tools like communications, executive jets and sophisticated financial:

His commercial forebears used to mount year-long expe-ditions into the bush to contact a tribal chief, seduce him with presents and persuade him to let them open a mine or build a railway on his territory in a person-to-person deal. Rowland fires off telex messages, makes telephone calls, arrives in his president and charms him into letting Lourho exploit a copper mine. It is as if the wind of it was not illegal. In 1969 Ogilyy change never blew. How the was quietly advised, by senior president squares this with his civil servants to resign from



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Printing and publishing contributed £85.56m of 1980 group turnover of £2,100m and £4.34m pretax profits out of a total of

supporters or his parliament is the Lourho board in case of a matter for the president How Rowland squares this kind of personal deal with his directors and his shareholders is, he be-lieves, a matter for him.

The bigger Lourho grew, the more likely it was that there would, be a head-on collision. between Rowland's personal style in running the company and the conventions of the City of London. The clouds began to gather at the beginning of the seventies and in 1973 the storm broke.

At the end of the Sixtles, there had been unsubstantiated claims that Lourho was breaking Rhodesian sanctions, some ing Rhodesian sanctions, something of an irony for the com-pany whose pipeline was one of the very few targets sanc-tions actually hit. Certainly the Lonrho companies continued to function inside Rhodesia; cer-tainly Rowland, Ogilry, and an-other director together owned a 50 per cent stake in the Shamrocke coppermine in Rhodesia that was being developed by Lonrho, which owned the other half of the capital. There was a conflict of interest here, but

a scandal, advice he no doubt later wished he had followed.

later wished he had followed. In 1973, open warfare broke out in the Lourho boardroom. One of the factors was the revelation that Mr (now Lord). Duncan-Sandys, the former Tory Cabinet minister, had been paid £130,000 in compensation for giving up his £50,000-a-year consultancy fees from Lourho to become its chairman, and that this money had been paid into an account in the Cayman an account in the Cayman Islands to avoid British tax, quite legally.

#### Attempt to: unseat him

This incident prompted Mr Edward Heath, then Prime Mini-ster, to make his most-remembered remark: he called this "the unpleasant and unacceptable face of capital-ism." In April 1973 Ogilvy resigned from the board. other directors on the Lourho

board set out to unseat Row- The EGM at the Central Hall



Rowland in action : top left, with Edward dn Cann, Tory MP and Lourho director; left, the extent of the Lourho empire; above, with Sir. Hugh Fraser during the Harrods takeover attempt, and right; concluding negotia-tions about the Ashanti goldfields with Ghanaian officials in 1969.

savage indictment. Rowland was "unfit to be chief executive". In the considered opinion of the majerity of the board, "the time; has now arrived when the damage which has been done and is likely to be done by the irresponsibility of Mr. Rowland outweighs any benefit to be derived from his abilities and contacts. He is distoyal to the chairman, his co-directors and many of those who work under him and is deficient in the art of human leadership and in integrity of purpose."

Rowland's lawyers argued that his removal would be a disaster for the company, especially in Africa and that it would be wrong for the Smallprice faction to pre-empt the verdict of the shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting, called by Rowland for May 31 to decide his fate. Rowland lost the case, paid costs estimated at \$50,000 personally, promised to abide by-"reasonable" board decisions and awaited the EGM. The



turned it into a riotous po-sonal triumph for Rowlan supporting him by a margin more than six to one and voti by three to one for the d missal of Smallpeice and b supporters. Rowland got a pr longed standing ovation.

Within three years of ac 1973 ructions, Lonrho more or less trobled its turnover, retax profit earnings and shre price, but over the past en years the company's fortues bave fluctuated—to a peak in 1976 followed by a trough u til last year when profits rose to £117m from £76m in 1979.

Lourho started the current financial year with assets of f733m and a net debt of f27m.

If the bid for House of Fader goes through, it will have to find £158m, on top of the £59m it needs for other projects this year. This is an awesome challenge even by Rowland standards, and there are still all too many people waitingfor the chance to indulge in the Schadenfreude which Rowland locomotive has a design fault: there is no re-Sir Basil Smallpeice and seven made the fatal error of staying denied them. If he sips this their hand until that meeting time, the chorus of "Itold you and set out to unseat Row in Westminster was dominated for having leen pent up for 20 years."

Against this background, the £6m deal for The 'Observer looks like small change. It is a typical Rowland deal, concluded personally between himself and Mr Robert Anderson, chairman of Atlantic Richfield, who bought the paper for £1 and a promise five years ago. What opponents of the takeover at the paper (they are many and include Mr Donald Belford, the editor), are worried about is whether Rowland will be prepared to undertake

will be prepared to undertake the expensive and long-term in-vestment needed to solve its problems; whether his interests in Africa and elsewhere will clash with The Observer's re-

verse gear and there is every reason to floubt the efficacy of

Dan van der Vat

Trainer who was no Don Quixque tilting at windmills

## How Guy Harwood trains so many lucrative winners

peripateric bundle of energy from Pulborough, Sussex, will spon be on his travels again. Ela-Mana-Mou was sold to a On Sunday the trainer is flying syndicate of Dick Hern's own-to Paris to watch Recitation ers at the end of the colt's run in the Prix D'Ispahan at three-year-old career. But Mrs Longchamp. He is then going Andrey Muinos, the original to the south of France for a owner must have netted a profit week's recuperation before jet of over 480,000/on her original ting to Keeneland in Kenrucky on July 13 for the Fasig Tipton Select Sale. From then on the merry-go-round will not stop until the second of the Newmarket sales in October. Backwards and forwards from the United States; over to Ireland for Goff's sale at Kill. It is all the same to Harwood and his. inseparable companion at the auctions, James Delahooke.

Harwood and Delahooke have added a new dimension to the business of spotting likely winners at the sales. During the past decade Vincent O'Brien, Robert Sangster and their associates have conducted a highly profitable operation by skimming off the cream at the select sales. By success-fully racing their purchases, they have become experts at the business of stallion promotion. Their expenditure has a promising crop of two-ear olds. Red. Sunset won the motion. Their expenditure has been of necessity heavy. For the limitation of losses forms an important part of their scheme. And this means buying only the choicest bred individuals, who have a considerable residual value by virtue of their pedigrees even if they are comparative failures on the track. Storm Bird, for on the track Storm Bird, for example, cost \$1m at Keene-

An entirely different policy has been adopted by Harwood. When he first started making comparatively cheap purchases he appeared to be a Don Quixote tilning at the windmills of big business. But unlike Cervante's hero, Harwood's lance has landed bang on targer, again and again. With him it is a question of confirmation first and pedigree second, in act the exact reverse of Mr

Ela-Mana-Mou was the ugly duckling of the 1977 yearling sales who was transformed into

the swan of the 1980 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. It is true that Ela-Mana-Mou was sold to a outlay without taking prize money into consideration.

This year we have the extra-ordinary story of To-Agori-Mou, Kalaglow and Recitation. This trio were purchased for a total trainer has to spend so much of around \$50,000. Kalaglow time away from home at the has so far not fulfilled the sale, he has to be a good delepromise he showed as a two gator. year-old, but Recitation was sold for a reported \$8m to an American syndicate after his victor in the French Two Thousan Guineas. And To-Agori-Mou i at present the undisputed chan-pion miler of Europe after his victory in the Two Thousand Guineas and his dramatic de feat at Ascot of King's Lake

The trainer ascribes a great deal of his success to luck. Bit lightning does not strike lucy in the same place three timesin Coventry Stakes, Norwick the Fenwolf. Treboro, at 10,000 guineas, the most expensive purchase Harwood has ever nade, showed himself to be a likely candidate for next stason's classic when finishing second to Cajun in the Chesham Stakes. And perhaps the best of all may be that lovely filly, Qust, who after her fast finishing third in the Queen Mary Stales, looks sure to start a warm avourite with the Cherry Hintor at New-

market's July meetin;. Harwood places a great deal of faith in Delahorke's judgment. "Any reastrable judge can pick a good baking horse and note his fault as well. But James has this thranny knack of being able to bot the poten-tial athlete, the pimal that will

Sangster's policy.

Their first successes came with Ela-Mana-Mou and Young Generation who were bought for a total of 13,500 guineas.
Ela-Mana-Mou was the ugly duckling of the 1977 yearling sales who was transformed into

Irekace Their only limitation is rice. "When we like a horse with a top-class pedigree then w are obviously in competition with the other top buyers. And senetimes I have to put on the

ther sound barrier of his sucess story when he shared the raining honours at Royal Ascot with Henry Cecil. Appropriately of the Royal Hunt Cup was Teamwork. For just as the

The trainer's wife Gilly and her brother, Geoff Lawson, the assistant trainer both know the game backwards as does the head lad, Tommy Townsend. And then there is of course the stable jockey, Greville Starkey. And those who remember his nine Group One victories in 1978 — including four Classic wins and watched this stylish and polished horseman in action at Ascot last week, can have little doubts about his ability as a

But a team is only as good as its caprain. Harwood not only has an abundance of energy, he is also a highly-skilled organizer and clear thinker. He is also very fit. "I like to ride all the three-year-olds in their work before the season starts." He is a tennis and squash fanatic. At the age of 42 he weighs 12st 4lb and does not carry an ounce of superfluous flesh. He works

and plays hard. Harwood is a businessman both by training and instinct. He owns a chain of garages left him by his father and farms 600 acres.

His training establishment at Commbelands is a model of efficent planning and lav-out. Improvements costing £250,000 are due to be made in the next year or two. Harwood knows full well that lean years often follow the fat. But the snowball of his success has been gathering momentum fast in the past four years. And this momentum shows no signs of slowing down.

Michael Seely



A final bit of polish for that extra bit of speed ... a scene at the British National Gliding Champiouships at Lasham airfield.

# George Lee, jet pilot, flies very fast with no engine

Britain has few current world secured his selection for the British hampions. Yet in the little regarded team for the world championships champions. Yet in the little regarded sport of gliding Squadron Leader George Lee is the world open class champion for the third time in

Philip Wills was the only previous Brition to win the title, in 1952. Since his day, competitive gliding, like ocean racing, has become a gruelling test of man and high technology machine.

Lee was 17 when he joined the RAF gliding and soaring association in 1964. Fascinated by the sport, his early progress was not spectacular . . and his first contest win in 1970 caused little comment.

In his first national level competition, the European gliding two children. championship, Lee finished 18th; a poor performance. Since 1972, and 1973, when he finished second in the nationals, he has been consistently brilliant. He won in 1974,

in Finland in 1976. He won the open class there, and has been unbeaten in all subsequent world champion-

In 1977, Lee was invited to compete in the sailplane derby. sponsored by Smirnoff. In this event five sailplanes raced across the United States from Los Angeles to Washington during 10 days. Although he had not flown in the United States before, he finished

In West Germany, where he is stationed. Lee flies Phantom jet fighters. His Norwegian wife, Maren. is also a glider pilot and they have

The ability to stay in the air and navigate, the ultimate aspiration for the gliding club beginner, is taken for granted. The wind, believed by the uninitiated to be vital, has miniand good performances in 1975, mal effect during the races round

the long triangular courses frequently used for the world championships.

Ten pilots completed the largest task ever set, 707km (450 miles), in Australia in 1974. The wittner averaged: 104 kph (66 mph). In France in 1978 three of the tasks. were more than 500km.

The carbon fibre 75ft wingspan Nimbus 3 sailplane, flown to victory in the world championship which ended at Paderborn, West Germany. on June 7, can fly more than 50 miles at 77 mph from 5,000ft even without finding further rising air. The top speeds are achieved by flying slowly in rising air, faster in between and wasting the minimum possible time in circling, like a

vulture, to gain height. The optimum speed at any given moment depends on many factors. The Nimbus 3 can carry 68 gallons of water to increase speeds through

higher wing loading. As in ocean yachts, electronics play an increasingly important part. Instruments can solve the equation for the best flying speed based on the glider performance graph, vertical air velocity and windspeed, height, weight and distance to the finish. The crucial factor which distinguishes champions from the -rest of us is judgment, both in instrument reading and the handlingof the controls.

In this country there are about 10,000 glider pilots. The squad of a dozen or so from whom the British ream of four was chosen had travelled a long path from the first solo in a club. After many crosscountry flights and qualifications in regional competitions, most become national champions.

To survive this and go on to win three times in his first three World Gliding Championships, is a feat. In George Lee, this country has an almost completely unsung hero.

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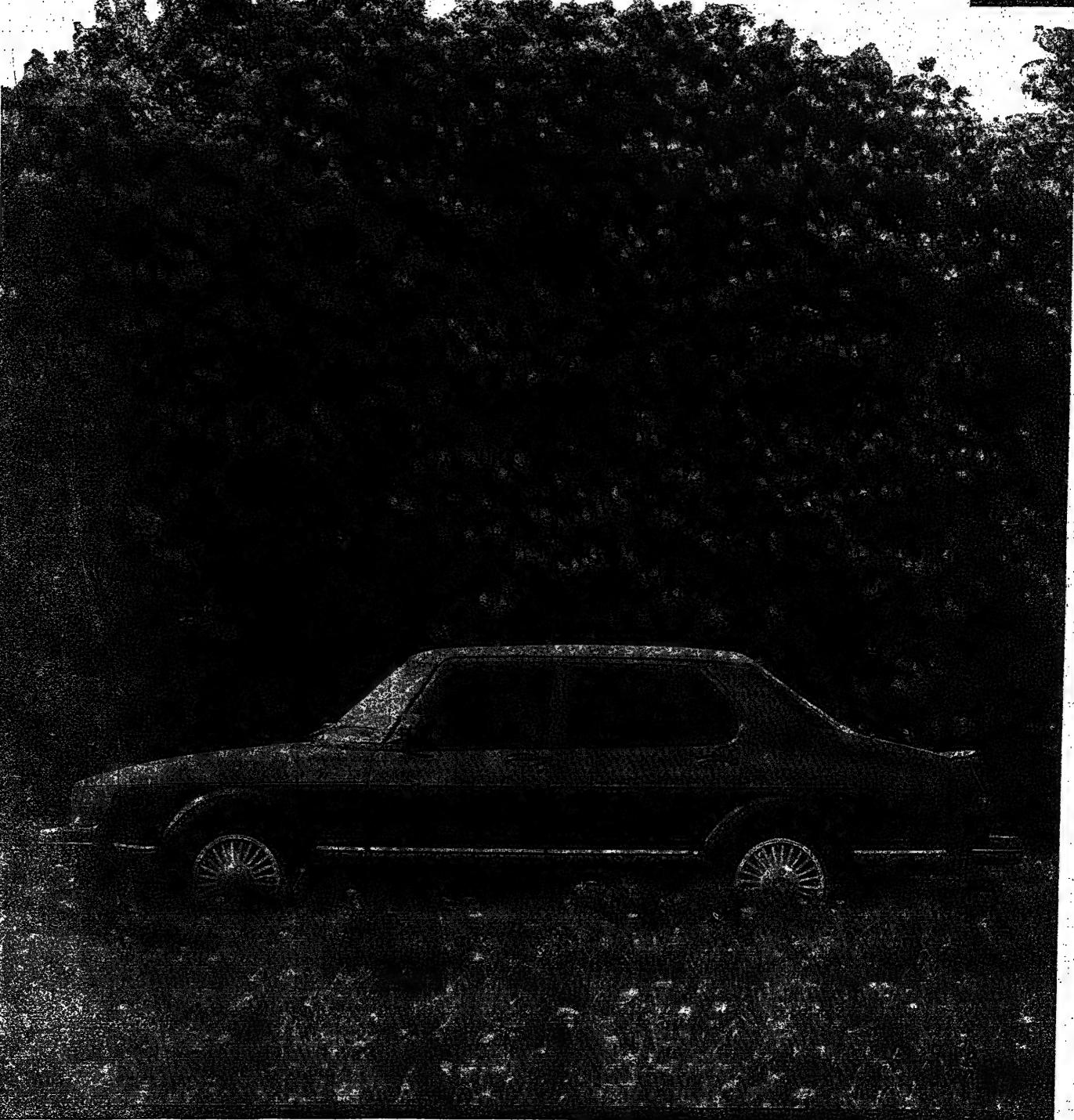
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# Time the Tories pulled themselves together

of his books about two Spaniards who got into a fierce fight over the merits of their favourite poets and mortally wounded each other. As they lay dying, both confessed they had not actually read either.

The story has some relevance to the condition of the Conservative Party today. How many partisans in the interminable arguments over economic management have ever buried their noses for more than five minutes (if at all) in the works of Keynes or Professor Hayek? Yet sensible discussion, which might lead to sensible results, is entombed beneath the detritus of what are imagined to be their respective

views on political economy.
We have become not just the potential victims of our refusal to adjust to events, but worse still the captives of our own metaphors. Since U-turns are associated with the days of an un-Prime Minister, we cannot even discuss the possibility of changing gear.

We are not intent on fratricide, like the Labour Party. But in our present state of mind, we may find it increasingly difficult to work together and argue together for a common set of objectives. That would be debilitating politically and damaging economically. It is high time we pulled

ourselves together. We would have done so long ago had there been a more effective Opposition. But Conservatives cannot depend on the sickness within the Labour Party to hand us the next election. Labour are down to their rockbottom electoral base. But, as in February 1974, they may be able to hold on to much of it. Nor can we rely on the Social Democrats

Hugh Thomas tells a story in one fatally damaging their erstwhile colleagues. It is too early to know whether the SDP will take off, and even more premature to say which major party will contribute most of the passengers if it does. So to win next time, we shall have to get the economy right, or at least look as though we are some way towards doing so. Despite the problems of the past two years—the squeeze on industry, the alarming rise in unemployment, the difficulty of cutting spending after Clegg and in a recession—the Government's economic strategists can point to the prospect of one or two

> Inflation has fallen rapidly. Real interest rates are low by international standards. Sterling recently fell to a level (at least against the dollar) which would have had the CBI jumping with joy last year. Many firms have dealt painfully with problems of overmanning and restrictive practices which had dogged their efforts for years. They are now in a position to make increased productivity and profits.

swallows.

The main thing missing from the scene, is demand for their products. There is little sign of any big rise in demand at home

But there are solid foundations on which the Government can begin to rebuild with the enthusiastic support of a united party. We can all agree that counterinflation policy must remain at the heart of our strategy. That would not be jeopardized, indeed would be reinforced, by an equally strong commitment to help industry pick itself up off the floor. Without such an effort. we will find our economic tasks, particularly the creation of new jobs, almost insuperable, being

overnight expedient to another.

We are told that last week's Cabinet meeting endorsed the Treasury's strategy while expressing reservations about the possibility of making further spending cuts. Where does this leave us? There will be no major cuts this year; even the defence review only brings military spending back to somewhere near its growth path of three per cent a year. Further cuts in domestic programmes would break election commitments or

risk wrecking what is left of the

social consensus. It will be hard.

driven before the gale from one.

enough to keep a grip on the spending of Labour councils. If anything, spending this year is going to be pushed up both by them and by regular raids by the nationalized industries. In practise—hang the theory—we have an expensive but not wholly coherent industrial policy which baffles our supporters and gains us little political benefit. We are attacked as Count Dracula when in fact we are running the most expensive blood transfusion service in the business. We extol the virtues of free enterprise while obliging it to pay more and more to support the nationalized

No cut in spending means, in present Treasury logic, no cut in taxes in the next Budget, Indeed, to keep near the Public Sector Borrowing Requirement target, we may need a further increase in taxes. The fight against inflation will grind on. The unemployment figures will push past three million. Industry will hump along the bottom of the recession looking forward anxiously to the much talked of recovery. Per-haps this is true; perhaps there is nothing the Government can.



Chris Patten is Conservative MP for Bath and was formerly Director of the party's Research Department.

recovery forward without running the risk of another burst of inflation. Perhaps.

Yet Treasury ministers them-

selves have identified one source of possible trouble between now and the next election which could blow us completely off whatever course we are on: wage inflation. The Chancellor is reported to have drawn his colleagues' attention at last Wednesday's Cabinet to the fact that money incomes in the past decade have risen by 335 per cent while output has risen by only 16 per cent. It would be surprising if he did not also point out the still growing imbalance in our public accounts between current spending (especially on pay)

future. If we want to restore the competitiveness of British industry, prevent higher inflation and make room for an increase in capital spending, then in both the private and public sectors we must be tough on pay; the first two proposals out of the four helow are designed to help achieve this while giving industry direct help and creating greater demand for its products. 1. We must make it clear that we can hold public spending in check only if we keep a tight grip for the rest of this Parliament and beyond on pay settle-ments in central and local government and in the nationalized industries. We should state now that we expect, and will fight for, a lower average level

responsibility, and that in return we are prepared to increase capital spending selectively next autumn and winter. A few hundred millions spent on infrastructure and construction projects, especially in those areas with the highest unemployment, and on telecommunications, rail electrification and other worthwhile investments would have an immediate knock-on effect on private sector activity and create

of settlements next year than

this, wherever we have direct

In public sector pay bargain-ing, we should establish a central unit which would at least ensure that the existing negotiating panels operate on a basis of common research findings and common criteria. Such a unit would also reorganize comparability machinery, make the public service more aware of the market forces than can be intro-duced into bargaining, and examine the feasibility of intro-

more jobs.

and capital investment for the ducing "no strike" agreements in some services. Unless we now take this kind of grip on public sector pay bargaining we shall find ourselves as this Parliament wears on fighting one battle after another with the public sector unions over ground which we have failed to stake out.

2. In the private sector we should tell employers that if average settlements in the pay round which starts in August are running in low single figures, we shall halve the National Insurance surcharge in the next Budget, and that if the 1982-83 round is equally low we shall abolish it completely in 1983. It takes about £3,000m out of industry's pocket every year, taxes jobs and exports, raises prices and reduces investment. Cutting the surcharge should be used as a carrot to help employers explain to their workers why they should do what is anyway in their best interest.

3. With thousands more young people coming on the labour market than there will be jobs for them, we must take school leavers out of the existing pay bargaining system and develop a comprehensive scheme of training grants like that in West Germany. We have too few apprentices and too many young people out of work because of the price which union negotiators demand for their labour, High unemployment will be with us for the rest of the 1980s. If we are at all concerned about the implications of this for our social stability, we should abandon the hand-to-mouth methods of the last few years and make a radical change in our training arrangements.

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owning denocracy a central plank in ounext manifesto. This should be omplemented by encouraging freater participation in industryWork in these fronts could be much more useful than the hunt fr a further battery of changes intrade union law in the next session of Parliament

There buld be one victim of this balaced approach: in the short ters we should not be able to keep the PSBR within the limits se out by the Treasury, Most offus should be able to bear the with equanimity A small punned increase in the PSBR t increase economic activity, with the prospect of a fall later at a direct result of higher output sounds a better bargain than a increase in the PSBR beof unplanned falls in production and increases in unempløment.

The late Adlai Stevenson once accued the Republican Party of offerng the public the uninspir-ing advice, "Don't just do somthing: stand there", I hope no ne will be able to make the sans accusation against the Conservative Party in the second hal of this Parliament. There is plety for us to do which will enable us to keep the initiative, unie the party, lay to rest some of our absurdly theoretical economic arguments and give a ner lease of life to the strategy witch we were elected to

We do not need more metaors, nor further helpings of eral philosophy. All we need a large injection of oldshioned Tory horse sense.

The appearance yesterday of the European Commission's proposed solution to the problems of the EEC budget and the common agricultural policy (CAP) puts Britain in a peculiar spot. On the one hand, the report is an ingenious attempt to lighten the financial burden of the EEC on Britain without actually attempting the politically hopeless task of bringing about fundamental changes

in the CAP—for which reason Mrs Thatcher ought to be pleased with it, so far as it goes. On the other band, it comes out a week before Britain takes on the sixthmonth term as President of the EEC Council of Ministers, and it will therefore. fall to Mrs Thatcher's lot (and Lord Carrington's). to which action—or inaction—

are decided upon. a drawback in this context, making. In effect, this means reform through the Council. for the presiding country has that any serious progress But it is not clear how far considerable leverage. own ministers chair all ministerial meetings. Its senior in the last three months of Commission report, for inofficial in Brussels chairs the the year. important meetings of permanent representatives. It has control (so far as events allow) of the agenda of these confabulations. Its foreign minister represents the Ten in negotiations with other countries. Successful initiatives redound to its credit, while lack of success normally does it no harm since nobody can reasonably expect startling progress in a six-month period of office. On the face of it, therefore, the British presidency ought at worst to come in very handy for Mrs Thatcher at an awkward moment. At best, a rosy vista opens up of the budget dispute being settled under her benign guidance, Lord Carrington charming the Russians out of Afghanistan on behalf of Europe, and of the British public suddenly realizing

# President Carrington: a tricky opportunity

**David Watt** 

dency immediately after a once on various aspects of major political upheaval in the Commission's proposals France which will effectively and securing broad agreeprevent: any firm French ment in principle at the late negotiating position being autumn summit meeting in evolved before the summer London. Chancellor Schmidt holidays and probably until is as determined as Mrs the beginning of October. Thatcher to reduce the exces-The Italians and the Irish are sive burden on his balance of in the middle of extremely payments and his last visit to take charge of the crucial complicated governmental London in May is supposed meetings in the autumn at crises which will seriously to have forged a new joint affect their ability to func. determination to gang up on tion, and the Dutch are in the Danes, the Benelux coun-It may seem paradoxical to the middle of an interminaties, and if necessary the say that the chairmanship is able process of coalition. French, in order to force a the Ten can only be made really march together (the

> intractability of the under- appropriate for each counlying problems, both from a try) and it remains to be political and technical point seen, in any case, how far in of view. In particular, the practice the Chancellor will idea that the Mitterrand be prepared to put the Bonnidea that the Mitterrand be prepared to put the Bonn-government in France will Paris axis at risk. be a push-over for the British in Europe should be imme- ties and uncertainties, the diately dismissed. French British Government is bound foreign policy may be con- to regard the presidency as a ducted with slightly less mixed blessing. The chair is theatrical bad manners than the best place to be if one under Giscard d'Estaing, but wants long-term gains or the pursuit of the French small tactical victories. It is national interest will be as not the ideal vantage point meticulously planned and from which to secure large straightforwardly carried on immediate concessions. as before. Indeed, in the case

even tougher.

Life, alas, is not like that. heavily on the Germans to . . . Britain in the driving First there is plain bad luck. help push through a plan of seat . . and, hey presto, a Britain comes to the presi- setting up working parties at

stance, makes a clear distinc-Then there is the sheer tion between the treatment

Faced with these difficul-

And yet, if we do not of the fisheries dispute, secure concessions the effect which will undoubtedly come on British public opinion its external relations. They to the fore again in the could be pretty bad. This is will, however, be watching autumn, President Mitter not simply a matter of a for the faintest sign to conrand, being more dependent missed opportunity but of on votes on the north-west positive damage caused by coast of France than his pre- the disappointment of excesdecessor, will probably be sive expectations. Mrs with political brass knobs on Thatcher entertains Euro or are using political initia-

dull clunk from beneath the grinds to a halt again.

débacle would be to concentrate attention as much as possible on the political aspects of the Community, where agreement is much easier to secure and results are much easier to understand. This is certainly Lord Carrington's chief interest, as it is his strongest suit. The challenge of the European initiative on the Arab-Israeli conflict, of the Polish threat, of European security talks, and of any number of other possible crises is alluring-and not. simply because the Foreign Secretary enjoys politics more than economics. The case for pressing on with political cooperation is that European interests are at stake in the Middle East and in East-West relations; that a sense of European identity in the face of the rest of the world needs to be asserted; and that if this can be achieved it may help pull the Community out of its present.

economic impasse. is high, and the other nine countries are not going to begrudge him a chance to apply his magician's wand to firm their suspicion that the British are out to turn the EEC into a free trade area

as partners in the European

economic enterprise.
As it happens, both Mrs
Thatcher and the Foreign Secretary seem to have recognized this danger and there is not much doubt of their desire, if only on wider political grounds, to settle the major economic issues during the British presidency if they the British presidency if they can, as well as doing a bit of good for British interestsespecially in the service in-dustries. The real trouble about the British position is that it does not imply any One way to prevent this long-term strategy towards the EEC. In keeping with the Foreign Secretary's profound pragmatism, it is still predominantly reactive and opportunistic.
Initiatives such as that

floated the other day by Herr Genscher, the German Genscher, the German Foreign Minister, calling for a new politico-economic treaty which would graft the present ad hoc machinery of political cooperation onto the Community, are politely but firmly punctured by Lord much better to build up from the bottom than it is to impose from the top by a treaty or some form of declaration, that Europe must have a common foreign policy". This quintessentially Bri-tish statement is not likely

to be much disputed within the Cabinet or indeed at Westminster, where anything with the faintest, phoniest bint of supranationalism about it is anathema. But if we are to make the most of the presidency, the absence But here again there are of some longer-term vision of pitfalls. Lord Carrington's where the Community is goreputation in the Community in its certainly a drawback. Withour it our credibility with our EEC partners will be reduced and the appeal to British public opinion which the presidency affords will be weakened. It is worth remembering that the office does not come our way again for five years, and in five years' time a government committed to taking Britain out of the Community could be in

#### Is there a future for the house of pottery?

The Government's implicit indictment of the worldfamous Wedgwood pottery firm for failing to take proper care of Barlaston Hall; the Palladian mansion which stands on the edge of its Staffordshire estate, is hugely ironic. For more than two centuries the name Wedgwood has been identified with the highest traditions of British craftmanship and with the creation of objects of beauty. The firm's products are themselves a feature of many English country houses; in more than one of them there is a Wedgwood Room.

The firm was founded in 1759 by Josiah Wedgwood and for many years operated in a district of Stoke-on-Trent still known by the exotic name of Etruria. From the start it concentrated on producing fine china for the wealthy end of the market, and one of its earliest customers was the Empress Catherine the Great of Russia, who ordered a set of 1,000 plates depicting various English scenes. One of the subjects chosen is reputed to have been Barlaston.

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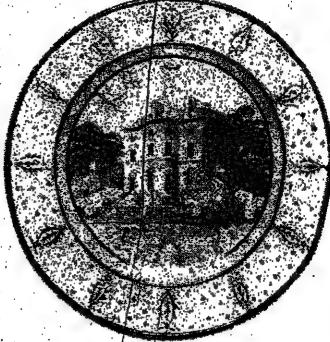
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The wall plaque painted by Alfred in 1942.

and its new owners evidently ted man though he is, Sir

The change in attitude appears to date from about 1963 when Mr Artiur Bryan was appointed managing director. The first mon-mem-ber of the family to hold such a post—he is now the chairman-he was and is an energetic salesman who was responsible for a dramatic increase in production and turnover. Until then demand had far exceeded supply, and would be customers were used to warnings of long delays.

Mr Bryan set about However, it was not until changing all that. Within a few years the characteristic bas relief patierns had bethen that Wedgwood, still at come familiar to shoppers the time a paternalistic in galleries and department tions for its staff, opened a Awards were showered upon it, including a knighthood

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thought highly enough of it Arthur las a blind spot when to choose it as the subject it come to Barleston Hall. of a decorative well plaque In 1973 he wrote to The painted by Alfred Powell in Times, sharply rebuking Sir John Betjeman who had pro-tested at the firm's application to demolish the hall. and claiming that it would cost £50,000 to restore it for any useful purpose. Further correspondence provoked Sir Arthur into inviting the Historic Buildings Council to find a use for it. Negotiations came to noth-

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ing lut, after a public inquiry in 1975, permission for demolition was refused.

/Sir Arthur, however, renained unrepentant, and in farch this year the firm subhitted a new application to lemolish the hall, this time on the grounds that it had een rendered unsafe by mining subsidence. A public inquiry into this application has still to be held, but clearly the Government's intervention has gone a long way towards preempting its findings.

> John Young Planning Reporter

#### Wanted: a sponsor to bring Venice to London

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rather than diminish Bri-

tain's influence in the world.

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After a decade of dinhering, the Royal Academy has begun prelimin-ary overtures for an exhibition on The Genius of Venice. It is too early, I am told, to call these overtures "plans"—more a gleam in the eye of several interested parties. John Hale, Professor of Italian at University College, London, is

masterminding these pl . . . (sorry) and has enlisted the aid of a distinguished advisory committee of eight British authorities and nine Italians. Among the British experts are James Byam Shaw, an authority on Guardi and Tiepolo, Sir Oliver Millar, Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures, and Francis Haskell, Professor of Art History at Oxford and author of books on the relationship between artists and

The exhibition, provisionally scheduled for the winter of 1983 and still to find a sponsor, will contain sections on the akarpiece in sixteenth century Venice, organ-ized by the Icalian scholar Terisio Pignasti, the Cult of St Mark (patron saint of Venice), the Patrician portrait and a room devoted to the Caprice, organized by Homan Pontenton (the Caprice is that form of painting perfected by Guardi and Canadetto where the artist sets up an imaginary landne chty-scipe).

Incidentally, seeing that John Hale lists his recreation in Who's Who very simply as "Venice", I

looked elsewhere for other equally enchanting recreations. Among those I turned up: Edward de Bono, toys; Judi Dench, catching up with letters; John Gondenough (Professor of Inorganic Chemistry of Oxford), developing countries; Professor Bernard Crick, polemicising. If asked, I think I would now list among my recreations: browsing in Who's Who.

#### Mot jest

This may be an old joke but, coming from born-again Bob Dylan, who opens tonight at Earl's Court, it still bears the telling. After an open-air performance at the Colombo Stadium in Paris this week, a French journalist dodged the bodyguards and managed to approach the cinger who true shiveting in the the singer who was shivening in the night air. In a thick French accent, Dylan was asked for "a good quote", "If I had a good quote", said Dylan, "I'd be wearing it."

#### Letters patent?

Next week's auction by Phillips of the long-lost family archive of the earls of Sheffield caused a burst of legal activity yesterday by the first Earl's descendant, Lord Stanley of Alderley. He complained that Phillips had omitted to inform him of the sale.

Lord Stanley, formerly a captain in the Coldstream Guards, is now chairman of Thames Valley Cereals and lives in Anglesey. After con-sulting his solicitor he told me: "I hope they have a title to the papers. They should not be sold but remain open for public inspection.

I would like them to go to the
Chester archives or the University

#### THE TIMES DIARY



If you have a mind to be remembered long after you've gone, read on. The Center (that's Amfor Action on En-dangered Species,

based in Florida, is offering to name a new-found species of rabbit after the highest bidder. Its biologist, James Lazell, discovered the creature on the Lower Keys, the islands off the Florida coast. The centre's staff described it as a "sweet-faced

bunny" and think the name auction a clever way to raise money for research.
Bidding is open until December 1

and, in addition to having a Latinized version of his or her name go down in biological history, the winnor will also get a life-size sculpture of the rabbit. It sounds an ideal way for Victor Lownes, the deposed Playboy boss, to make a mark that would outlast Hugh Heijner's Bunny empire. I don't know which I prefer, Oryctolagus lownessi or Victor cursiculus.

of Bangor, where other family papers are deposited. I am going to find out just what is for sale." The papers were lost about the

time of the third Earl's death in 1909—when the earldom became extinct—and were discovered only recently in the attic of a Sussex country house by a woman whose identity Phillips will not disclose, partly to save her the embarrassment of admitting she almost decided to set fire to them.

The collection consists principally of the correspondence and documents of the first Earl, John Baker Holroyd (1735-1821). Soldier, patriot and politician, he is best known as the friend and correspondent of Edward Gibbon, and his papers provide a fascinating picture of social and political life in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. There is a letter from his

father in-law, Lord North, who, as Prime Minister, complains of the chilly reception he received from George III. Holroyd writes of a ball in Genoa: "The women bad such a fury for minuets." Military papers contain a petition to Holroyd his own regiment of militia asking that the soldiers be allowed to grow their hair longer. Sir Joseph Banks writes that Queen Charlotte's flock of llamas at Windsor could never

Phillips say the papers came to the present owner by descent from the Sheffields and expect them to fetch about £35,000.

#### Dunfeudin

The tenants of 150 Walworth Road in Southwark, south London, called for outside help yesterday after a two-year wrangle over what to call the £1.6m building. It is the new



Syour son's report says he's

headquarters of the Labour Party, which has been divided over a name ever-since James Callaghan laid a ceremonial stone and topped it out

An official told me : "Consider us open to offers. We don't have a name because we couldn't agree on one. It all sank under the weight of paperwork."

The party left its old head-quarters in Smith Square because of lack of space and rented the Southwark building cheaply from a consortium of trade unions headed by the General and Municipal, After

arguing long into the night, the leftarguing long into the night, the left-wing National Executive Committee once settled on Keir Hardy House, until it was remembered that this is the name of the party's Scottish regional office in Glasgow. Tony Benn's suggestion of New Transport House was rejected as boring. Norman Atkinson suggested Enterprise House was respected. Enterprise House, which sounds more like a new name for Tory HQ. Any ideas? Place of Strife, Foot's Walk and Heffer's End are rejected on the grounds that I thought of them first.

Ladies first

One omission from an otherwise fairly with-it Debrett's Peerage—the growing practice of calling married couples by the wife's name when she is regarded as the more when she is regarded as the most dominant or more famous partner. Thus you have Mr and Mrs Essler Rantzen (the television personalty is married to television producer Desmond Wilcox); Mr and Mrs Prudence Glynn (the fashion witer is married to Lord Windleshim); and Mr and Mrs Gavle Hunicutt (the actress is macried to Smon Jenkins, former editor of the Evening Standard). I have not actually see it put this may on official invitations, but it cannot be long.

#### Smash success

Alan Alda, who has bee playing Hawkeye in M\*A\*S\*H for nine years, stars tonight in Jeny, a film made in 1969 which isjonly now receiving its first British screening on BBC 1 at 10.50. Wile others have come and gone from the Korean War medical sag. Alda has used the flip, sardonic daracter he

prtrays as a basis for a career that firing on all guns.

He is said to receive \$200,000 for ach episode of M\*A\*S\*H and such his star quality that his latest ilm, The Four Seasons, has survived ukewarm reviews in America to secome a hit, grossing \$11.5m in its first ten days. He is writer, director

Alda is strongly pro-feminist, and fanny is very much in that vein. He has always refused scripts which be thought exploited women and returned one with the scribbled reply: "I won't act in this but if you tell me when it's opening, I'll picket."

#### Back again

Sally Mugabe, the Zimbabwe Prime Minister's delightful wife, is 3 frequent visitor to Britain these days. She was here a few months ago to receive the international Golden Sunrise award from the black community in recognition of her husband's statemanship. Now she returns today to address the annual conference of the womens Commonwealth Countries League at

Mrs Susan Zwingira, wife of the Zimbabwe High Commissioner, who will escort her during her four-day pisit, tells me the visit is another indication of the warm rapport between Britain and Zimbabwe since the transition of power. Mrs Mugabe, who once taught in Britain, appears to bear no grudge about her imprisonment by the Rhodesian police when relations were less happy.

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#### LITTLE IN RESERVE

"First reckon, then risk" was the dictum of the great Prussian strategist von Moltke; and when the product of Mr. Nott's bectic reckoning was finally published as a defence White Paper yesterday, the risks were apparent, too. Since conscription was abolished some 20 years ago all British defence policy has been based on a calculated risk that the nation would either not need to mobilize for an emergency or would anyway have no time to do so. Mr. Nott's policy is no exception to that rule, but there is a glimmer of a recognition that such a fixed attitude to our future security, though intellec-tually respectable, is strategi-cally irresponsible.

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The paper, entitled "The Way Forward" defines Britain's four main defence roles: an independent strategic nuclear force committed to Nato, the direct defence of the United Kingdom homeland, major land and air contributions to continental Europe and a major maritime effort in the eastern Atlantic and the Channel. Some forces will also be held available for operations outside the Nato area. There is no question of abandoning the British contri-bution to any of these roles; but Mr. Nort has found that the soaring cost of equipment and of manpower has once again forced the Government to cut both the size of the services and the equipment which they feel they need to fulfil the roles given to them.

Although Mr. Nott has taken care to point out that the defence budget will continue to grow in real terms, he has had to admit that the extra buck will not achieve a comparable extra bang. He has attempted to assuage his Conservative sup-porters with lists of weapons programmes which are intended to show how effective the forces will remain. But it is also clear

that the armed services will be asked to meet our defence obligations with less modern equipment, stretched over a longer life than had been intended for it. That is the risk. There is nothing wrong with the principle of risk-taking, particularly if it reawakens a greater spirit of improvisation in the area of weapons design. But it must be recognized for what is must be recognized for what it is, and the defence machine must be organized to react swiftly to a heightened risk

should it occur.
However, yet again we have a defence review which concentrates most of the economies at the sharp end of our defence effort. All the services will lose manpower and firepower. There are the ritual invocations to the possibility that the civiling are the ritual invocations to the possibility that the civilian support, and the headquarters elements, will suffer equally to those in the front line; but that never seems to be achieved to the same extent. Although the total strength of all the forces has been massively cut for the last 20 years, the officer corps. has not been cut proportion. has not been cut proportionately, and that cannot be entirely excused with the argument that the extra complexity of equipment necessitates a more officer-intensive force structure. There is fat to be cut out of the command structure of all three services.

At the other level, this philosophy must affect the central organization of defence and its civil service structure as well as its outstations—particularly in West Germany. The Prime Minister and Mr Nott have now set up a different ministerial organization with no separate service ministers. It may be too soon to assess how much further integration at the senior level that ministerial restructure should lead to. But this most recent exercise in-defence pruning, like its prede-

cessors, has shown that the triservice structure going right to the top level of Chiefs of Staff does not give us that kind of comprehensive integrated de-fence planning which is necess-ary in the modern world. If the central military staff of the Defence Ministry is to be integrated, it is no good having a Chief of Defence Staff and an Assistant Chief who have spent a lifetime in their own services. It will be necessary to train an integrated planning staff over a much longer period and much lower down into the officer. hierarchy. That is an even more difficult organizational battle for Mr Nott to achieve than what he has done so far.

There is another equally important philosophical task for Mr Nott on which his defence paper shows some encouraging signs. The main strategic com-ponent of our defence policy which has been too long ignored is reserve power. Yet it should be axiomatic in the military world that every cut in the standing force is matched by an increase in the reserve. The expansion of the Territorial Army and the intention to acquire more ships for the naval reserve is thus to be welcomed. But these are still mere bagatelles in terms of the whole defence effort. Mr Nott, and his professional military advisers must become even more convinced of the advantage of reserve fire power, in the form of ships, aircraft and ground weapons, even when it does not meet the most modern standards of, technology. It was another German general who said of his. country's armed forces "I do not know when we will need them again; I only know we will." Mr Nott's White Paper is a skilful political exercise but — mindful of that warning — he was also contact the mindful of that warning — he was also contact the skilful political exercise. must also see that the future does not find him out.

#### LINKING THE POUND WITH EUROPE

The call for Britain to become a full member of the European Monetary System made by the West German Chancellor on Tuesday is shrewdly timed. Next week the United Kingdom assumes the Presidency of the European Community. Joining the EMS "snake" would provide a gesture of our commitment which could serve us in good stead in the months of haggling over the Community Budget which lie shead.

There are also clear economic advantages which Britain would gain from greater currency trying to cope with living on a currency roller-coaster. The Government's policy is not to have a policy. Over the past two years this has been associated with a decline in our manufac-turing output of 15 per cent largely because the pound was overvalued. A million people have lost their jobs. Yet at the same time, those who work in parts of the economy which are not exposed to competition have had huge increases in their

living standards because the price of imports has been held down. The whole process could easily unravel. Sterling might start to fall rapidly as it did in 1976. Then we would face a new wave of inflation.

The only way of avoiding this mad veering between deflation and inflation is to restore a measure of currency stability. The EMS in its present form is a far from perfect system. But it is the only system there is and it includes the countries which now account for the lien's share of our trade. As a very minimum, the Government ought to ensure that the pound remains stable against the system as a whole. In the medium term, the Government would be wise to look at ways in which the pound could join.

Some critics say that joining a scheme of fixed exchange rates will undermine the control of the money smply on which the fight against inflation rests. They should look at the experience of West Germany, which has managed to combine mem-

bership of the European Monetary system with lower inflation and lower memployment than we have known. Before any kind of exchange rate stability can be, restored, however, the Government will have to decide how much it wants the pound to be worth. It will need strong nerves to resist the temptation to try to peg the pound at an overvalued rate. Going in to the EMS, with the pound kept strificially high is attractive in the short term. It would put pressure on wages in the next pay round. But it would mean that industry was doomed to years more decline as it loses competitiveness.

The right moment to peg sterling would be when the currencies of Europe, led by the mark, have recovered some of the ground lost against the dollar. That would be a good moment to link sterling with them at a level which would combine the claims of competitiveness and price stability. It could come this autumn. The Government should be ready for

#### VICTIMS OF A FALSE ECONOMY

its central administrative apparatus while slashing away at the periphery of specialized services. We have already seen the knives reaching out to the Central Statistical Office, the Economic Advisory Service, museums, monuments and offshore supply services. In local government the bureaucrats offload any sacrifices on to meals on wheels, home helps, or any other service which actually

helps the public.
The Foreign and Commonwealth Office is no exception. It has cut the British Council. Now it is slicing once again at the external services of the BBC. French and Italian broadcasts for Europe are to go, Portu-guese for Brazil, Maltese, Burmese and Somali, as well as the transcription service. Admittedly there is to be more money for transmitters but this merely restores cuts made in 1979 Moreover, according to the BBC, some of the transmitters were planned for services now to be cut.

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The trouble is that the periphery is where policies impinge most directly on people: This is certainly true of the BBC external services. They reach

Sir, Your obituary of General Sir

Richard O'Connor (June 19) did full justice to his outstanding qualities as a military commander. I am not

When a government department out to a very large audience is faced with the need to make around the world both directly cuts its first instinct is to shield and through the transcription services, which sell programmes to foreign radio stations. If one of the aims of British diplomacy is to gain understanding for British views and British aims the

BBC contributes as much as the central apparatus of diplomacy. Even in countries regarded as friendly to Britain, which are to bear the main brunt of the cuts, it commands a large audience. For French, Italian and Spanish services in Europe the BBC estimate is about 4,500,000 adults, and while it might be assumed that they could inform themselves about Britain through their own media the evidence is that they cannot The British point of view on the European Community budget, for instance, has generally been very poorly reported in France.

There is also another argument. The building of transmit-ters, while obviously necessary, can be switched on and off in response to the flow of funds. Foreign language services cannot be treated in the same way. It takes years to build up an effective service and to win an audience for it. Once lost, neither staff nor listeners can be put together again in a hurry.

Yet the world can change quickly. For years the Portuguese service of the BBC seemed of only marginal use Then came the revolution and Britain's voice was suddenly in great demand. During attempted coup in Spain in February of this year the official Spanish stations provided no news, so many people turned to the BBC. Had the coup succeeded, would the Spanish service of the BBC now be cut? And is it really in Britain's interest to stop speaking to Somalia, a potentially unstable country with a huge population of refugees?

In the long view these are false economies. They bring marginal savings at the cost of long-term damage to British diplomacy. The Foreign and Commonwealth Office should look nearer home for savings. Some day some government must find a way to impose public spending cuts which reduce bureaucracy while protecting services which the public values. To achieve this it may be necessary to take the selection of cuts out of the hands of bureaucrats of the department affected, who are bound to have an interest in their own self-preservation.

accepted them intellectually he could never dispel a hauming sense that at the time he not only should have been allowed to advance but

Surrey. June 20.

I believe that his sense of frustr on at the time was mag-nified inevitable broading while a priso (as Mr Douglas-Home points out), and that he was never until the end of his days able to consider the issue dispassionately. In this matter his warm heart was stronger than his cool head. It is an attitude which does him great honour, but as the military reason-ing is unsound I feel it right that the background should be explained. Yours faithfully, RONALD LEWIN, Camilla House, East Horsley,

#### Playing the China card

From Mr Julian Amery, MP for Brighton Pavilian (Conservative) Sir, Your leading article "Risks of the China card" (June 22) is remarkable for a glaring omission. It makes not even a passing reference to China's part in deter-ring aggression in South-east Asia.

reference to China's part in deterring aggression in South-east Asia.

There is a growing consensus that
the main thrust of Soviet imperialism is likely to be directed not
against Europe or China itself but
against the main raw materialproducing areas on which the
industrialized nations depend for
their survival. The oil of the Gulf
and of North Africa, and the
mineral resources of central and
southern Africa are the ones most
frequently discussed in Britain. But
no less important is South-east Asia
with its rubber, tin, oil and rice and
its command of the Straits of
Malacta—the choke point which
controls the passage between the
Indian and Pacific oceans.

It was to defend these viral world
Interests that the United States went
to war in Vietnam and that Britain,
Australia and New Zealand maintained 'forces in the area after
Malaysia and Singapore had attained
independence. Since the withdrawal
of American and British forces,
however, it is Vietnam, with strong
Soviet support, which has emerged
as the dominant; military power in
the area; It has already conquered
Laos and Cambodia and now
threatens Thailand.

Only China, today, has the power
and shows the will to deter SovietVietnamese aggression. If it needs
Western help to do so, surely it is
our duty and interest to provide it.

Western help to do so, surely it is our duty and interest to provide it. The threat to South-east Asia makes us allies; and it is paradoxically Moscow-Peking's erstwhile partner in the Vietnam war that leaves us no valid alternative to playing the China

We would be fools, indeed, to discard it in the vain hope that to do so would improve the chances of arms control negotiations or lessen the threat to Poland. Yours faithfully. JULIAN AMERY 112 Eaton Square, SW1. June 23.

#### Media publicity effects

From Mr John Redfern Sir, The blunt answer to Mrs Buchanan (June 20) is that the media are hardly in the business of not reporting news. I am sure the Press Council would agree with that. Since unstable people can be disturbed by many things other than assassinations. assassinations, newspapers would have a lor of blank space if Mrs Buchanan had her way. Yours sincerely. JOHN REDFERN, 38 Abbot's Walk, Cerne Abbas, Dorchester, Dorset, June 22

#### Standing orders Prom Mr Tony Bunyan and Mr Steve Peak

Sir, The letter in your issue of June 17 from Professor Colonel G. I. A. D. Draper on our contention that

D. Draper on our contention that the standing army in the United Kingdom has been unlawful since 1985, seems to have deliberately avoided the basis of our argument. The opening clause of the annual Acts (the Muniay Acts, and later the Army (Annual) Acts) passed by Parliament from 1689 to 1954 legalized the raising of a standing army inside the UK in peacetime for one year only. This clause gave effect to the provision in the 1688 Bill of Rights. Professor Colonel Draper correctly states, as we did that the annual Mutiny Act and its successors also dealt with the size of the army and its internal disciplinary code:

the army and its internal disciplinary code:
What is at issue is that the opening clause of the pre-1955 annual Acts which legalized the raising of a standing army in the first instance has been omitted in subsequent legislation. It is this omission that has made the existence of the standing army unlawful since 1955. Parliamentary consideration of the size and the funds to be allocated to the army does not shoot of the size and the limits to be satisfy the pre-condition that Parlia-ment has to consent to the raising of the army, and it is "unlawful" if it

Parliament, in its wisdom, passes annual Acts for over two and a half centuries in order to place limits on the power of the executive to use the power of the executive to use the army against the British people. Anyone with a sense of history will know that the use of the army in the nineteenth and the early part of this century in maintaining public order was a matter of considerable concern in the country, in Parliament and in the country, in Parl

have and are continuing to be used to break strikes.

If the liberties of the British people, which are the result of hundreds of years of often violent struggle against the oppressive use of state power, are to be preserved then the accountability of the army to Parliament is essential to the preservation of a democratic society.

Yours sincerely, TONY BUNYAN, STEVE PEAK, State Research, 9 Poland Street, W1: ...

#### The missing figure From Miss Eve Crosland

Sir, In his view of the impact of certain politicians illness and death on the course of history, David Wood (June 22) omits at least one significant name. If Anthony Crosland (my brother) had not died when he did the Valence Personnel. he did, the Labour Party might well have avoided its present state of confusion and disunity. He would, I confusion and disunity. He would, I think, have remained within the party, thus possibly preventing the formation of the new Social Democratic Party. This in turn would have given Mr Benn less scope for his machinations, and the chances of a more unified Labour Party winning the next election would have been vastly increased. Yours faithfully, EVE CROSLAND, Danehurst Cottage, Parkhill Road, NW3. June 22.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Priorities in nuclear defence task armoured army, supported by a modern tactical air force, as our fair share of Nato's forces in the Central Europe sector, is a far more effective contribution both to a decrease.

From Field Marshal Lord Carver
Sir, Your leader, "Making room for
Trident" in today's issue (June 24). falls into the common error of confusing the argument for Britain to continue to possess her own nuclear warbeads and the capability to design and produce them with the issue of continuing to maintain an independent strategic nuclear strike

force.
The decision to replace the Polaris system with four new submarines equipped with the Trident missile and new warheads, which is playing havoc with the defeate equipment programme, stems from the latter. The only real argument for it is fear that the vast American nuclear arsenal would not be effective in deterring war in Burope, while a British independent strategic force would. The fallacy of that argument was exposed in Lord strategic force would. The fallacy of that argument was exposed in Lord Gladwyn's letter, which appeared in your columns on May 28. Remining. a Brinsh nuclear capability that did not insist on being independent and strategic would not incur expendi-ture on anything like the same scale.

scale.

There are two fundamental priorities for the defence of Western
Europe, if defence is to have any
The first is to prevent real meaning. The first is to prevent a war taking place in Europe at all: the second that, if measures to deter that fail, hostilities should be brought to a halt as quickly as possible, before either side is tempted to resort to nuclear weapons. If that also fails, we would face what the former United States Defence. Secretary, Harold Brown, aptly described as "an unimaginable catastrophe". real meaning. The first is to preven

catastrophe".

Maintaining a strong, mobile

From Professor Yorick Wilks
Sir, Your correspondents have
drawn attention to the extraordinary
ignorance of Americans about Irish
affairs and, in the case of Mr Peter

affairs and, in the case of Mr Peter Jay (June 24), have gone on to argue that the situation cannot be changed so we should give them what they want anyway.

The problem is not limited to Ireland: in a California bar last month I was greeted by an apparently well-educated stranger who said that he had heard an English accent and wanted to shake my hand because his father had helped liberate my country! No doubt many of your correspondents would have had an appropriate reply ready, but I am afraid L took the Jay line and just gave him my hand, dumbstruck. Yours sincerely, YORICK WILKS, University of Essex (Department of Language and

ment who have chosen and insisted upon violence in Ulster. What the British have done is to limit that

deterrent to war and to containing the enemy's forces if that fails than either duplicating the vast strategic nuclear strike capability of the United States or keeping afloat antisubmarine helicopter platforms that could be provided at less expense in other ways, and which only have a marginal affect as a deterrent to war or to its containment, if deterrence failed.

The essence of the problem has

failed.

The essence of the problem has not changed since Basil Liddell Hart published his book, Deterrent or Defeate, ip 1960. In the chapter, "Basic problems of Western Defeate," which is as relevant today as it was then, he quotes Harold-Macmillan, welcoming General Norstad as SACEUR (Supreme Allied Commander Europe) in 1957 Allied Commander, Europe) in 1957 with the words: "Let us be under no with the words: "Let us be under no illusion; military forces today are not designed to wage war; their purpose is to prevent it. There will be no campaigns like the old ones, with victory at the end of a long and balanced struggle; total war today can only mean total destruction."

To that, he added his own comment: The prime need today is to reinforce the H-bomb deterrent, which has turned into a two-edged which has turned into a two-edges threat, by developing a non-nuclear, fireguard and fire-extinguisher— on the ground, and ready for use without hesitation or delay." Yours faithfully, CARVER, House of Lords. June 24.

Gestures of conciliation, as adum-

Gestures of concliation, as adumbrated by Mr Jay, will, as experience has shown, exacerbate the violence and increase pressure from America and elsewhere to "do something" dramatic — thus belping those who try to bomb, starve and murder Ulster-into the Irish Republic.

The present issue is not unifi-cation because there is no present prospect of that. It is the contain-

#### US views on Ulster

From Mr Herb Greer Sir, Mr Peter Jay (June 24) is talking out of both sides of his mouth on Ulster.

Linguistics), Wivenhoe Park,

Pirst he says, correctly, that real facts are unimportant to the American-Irish community who support the IRA He then properties ant to them, since a "sophisticated approach" (be is rather short on specifics) will improve matters for Britain among the American Irish.

No one who knows anything about modern terrorism, and specifically about the Ulster variety will suppose that what is urged by Mr Jay will propriete the American bigots who support the IRA, or the terrorists themselves. It is these people and not the British Governprospect of that. It is the containment and discouragement of those who mean to force instant unification and then, in the classic fascist manner, force themselves upon Ireland itself. By pretending otherwise, Mr Jay and some of those he cites are doing a grave disservice to the United Kingdom and to the Irish Republic.

Irish Republic. HERB GREER, c/o Film Rights, Ltd. 113-117 Wardour Street, W1:

June 24.

From Mr Peter Holliday Sir, It was refreshing to read the

contribution of Mr Peter Jay to the "Irish American" problem. My religious and political beliefs would tend to identify me with the majority in Northern Ireland. And yet it seems absurd to me that it is not accepted in public by any British Government that the only long-term solution in Ulster is eventual "Irish unity and British disengagement". Both Conservative and Labour

governments place great importance on upholding the democratically expressed wishes of the Northern Irish. But why should the Ulster electorate alone decide? There is a strong argument for involving the republic. But if the constitutional and political problems of such an approach are insuperable, what about the rest of the United Kingdom electorate? Yours faithfully, PETER HOLLIDAY, Çadenza, Roman Lane,

Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands June 24. 🗀

#### West Indians in school From Dr G. Driver

Sir, I wish to refer to certain allegations made or implied in the allegations made or implies in the Rampton report concerning my recent research on the subject of West Indian pupils' performance in five inner-city secondary schools. I do so particularly because those allegations reflect upon my pro-fessional competence and personal integrity.

integrity.

It is factually incorrect to state, as the report does, that the findings of my article in New Society (January iny article in New Society Gaulary 17, 1980), were not substantiated by the full report published in March last year by the Commission for Racial Equality and entitled Beyond *Underachievement*. Furthermore it misleading to imply that I made "educational conclusions" which assumed that information collected for only five schools was valid over the entire school population.

The limitation of my study in this respect is explicitly stated in both publications and the chapter of the full report, entitled "Summary and conclusions", contains no comments or prescriptions for what should be

2 Among English pupils, the boys usually obtained better results than the girls while, by contrast, West Indian girls obtained generally better results than West Indian boys.
I regret that a Government report

on so sensitive an issue should so conspicuously fail to make a balanced judgment on the available Yours sincerely,

GEOFFREY DRIVER, Centre for Social Work and Applied Social Studies, The University of Leeds. Tune 25.

#### Principles of the CAP From the President of the National Federation of Meat Traders

Sir, I read with interest (The Times, June 17) the remarks in the European Parliament by Sir Henry Plumb that the central "principles of the CAP ... are common prices. Community preference and financial solidarity". I would like to point out there are no common prices. there are no common prices, because of the distorting effects of "green" currencies and monetary compensatory amounts; that there is no financial solidarity, because of national aids whether "legal" or "illegal" under the Rome Treaty; and thet "Compunity preferance" and that "Community preference" is just another way of saying agricultural protectionism at the expense of the consumer.

Further, why is it that producer

interests and sundry apologists for the CAP never mention the fourth and fifth objectives of Community agriculture policies as inscribed in the Rome Treaty — viz, to ensure the availability of supplies and reasonable prices to consumers?

Since about half of the EEC farm budget goes to finance subsidies on exports of surplus products and

most of the rest is spent on taking supplies off the market to keep prices high in the first place, it is obvious that these last objectives are not being fulfilled. Beef, for example, is technically in surplus in the EEC, but there would undoubtedly be a greater demand for it if prices were lower. It is of course for this reason that we are opposed to beef exports and the same is true

for lamb. The "clawback" on exports to other EEC countries, equivalent to

ne in our educational institutions. My main findings were:

a West Indian girls and boys achieved results that were, for the most part, better than those obtained by English boys and girls.

Let us hope that, despite the efforts of the Minister of Agriculture in Brussels, the "clawback" arrangements will not be modified

and that the British housewife can continue to enjoy the benefits of cheap lambs this year. It is about time that the British consumer

derived some benefit from EEC membership and here is a golden

In any event, why all the fuss about the "clawback"? It was, after all, the inevitable price of getting the Community sheepmeat regime

which was demanded by British

farmers. The French were bound to insist on a "clawback" to prevent

subsidized British lambs competing in their own markets and undercutting French lamb producers. Our

own minister will, similarly, be

obliged to protect the British poultry industry from French

competition, irrespective of whether the huge subsidies paid in the form of regional aids to new producing

and processing plants in Brittany are "legal" or "illegal" under EEC

National Federation of Meat

Yours sincerely.

IACK BAILEY,

Traders, .. 29 Linkfield Lane,

Surrey. June 17.

opportunity for it to be so.

# the premiums paid to UK lamb producers, was the reason for large quantities of home-produced lamb being available in Britain last year

— a position welcomed by my members, who were at last able to offer their customers a product priced at a realistic level. Any theatre in Whitehall would be

> Yours faifthfully, MONTY MOSS, Moss Bros Ltd, Covent Garden, WC2.

#### From Professor Glyn Daniel

Sir, A slight inexactitude has crept into Philip Howard's generous review in today's Times (June 25) when he says that I shall be retiring from St John's College this year. Fortunately that generous seat of learning and research does not retire its ageing Fellows and I hope to see you working and writing in the to go on working and writing in my beautiful keeping-room overlooking the Backs until I am translated to some Elysian Institute of Archaeology where I suspect Sir Mortimer Wheeler is still digging, if the foundations of the heavens are susceptible to such earthly activities.
St. John's already has among its hundred or so Fellows half a dozen over 80, and two, Sir Frank Engledow and Sir Harold Jeffreys, over 90. Yours faithfully, GLYN DANIEL:

#### London pride as a tourist city From the Chairman of the London Tourist Board

Sir, As Mr Frank Johnson's comments on tourism (June 23) were almost entirely directed at the visitor to London I feel I should not let them go unchallenged. Not being "some crafty official of a Government department" ment department", but chairing an organization which brings together the statutory English Tourist Board, the commercial interests involved in

the commercial interests involved in tourism in London, and the Greater London Council, I won't bombard him with the zillions spent in London by tourists.

The London Tourist Board exists because world travel is now more available, and to a greater range of people, than ever before and the explosive growth in travel requires management. Young people and their elders rightly spek out and learn from the cultures and traditions of other nations, and there is no way that Mr Johnson's diatribes will stop them. But travel should not no way that Mr Johnson's districts will stop them. But travel should not degrade either host or guest and to that end we work to ease congestion and to maintain a stable year-round employment, base by promoting the autumn or winter visit, and by providing information about lesserknown attractions beyond the golden triangle of Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey and Palace, Westminster Abbey and Trafalgar Square. And where employment is concerned, I wonder why it is somehow thought nobler to produce a family-priced car in a loss-making manufacturing industry, than to provide a family-priced meal in a healthy service industry.

The almost invisible business visitors, often transported from botel to conference centre by those visitors, often transported from hotel to conference centre by those efficient "troop carrier-like coaches" bring not only spending money, but prestige to our professions and orders to our industry. Amongst the wash of statistics I am sure you will have remarked the fact that the great majority of London's tourists are British. We are hosts to them in their own capital. We hold their treasures on trust; and I for one intend to continue to seek a warm welcome for all who come to pay their respects to this ancient society

their respects to this ancient society of ours. Yours sincerely, MARY BAKER, London Tourist Board, 26 Grosvenor Gardens, Victoria, SW1. June 24.

#### Beyond the pale From Mr Ed Bresnan and others

Sir, Having seep some short television chos of the first round at Wimbledon, we feel obliged to apologize for the unspeakably rotten conduct of John McEnroe. You have our permission to throw out of the tournament this ughest of

all Americans. Yours, etc, ED BRESNAN. JERRY COWLE. ROGER DOWNING, JAY HOUTZ, MIKE SOZANSKY, 2727 West 6 Street,

From Mrs Karen King Sir, Can anyone tell me what fine is imposed on a line judge who makes a patently wrong call for the first time? And the second time? And the third time? I am smazed to read that the top professional tennis tournament in the world has umpires and line judges who will be "out of pocket through officiating at Wimbledon" (report, June 24). Yours faithfully,

KAREN KING, 8 Southampton Road, Farebam, Hampshire,

From Mr H. W. Austin Sir, A story is told of an incident in a match when Don Budge was playing Gottfried von Cramm Budge questioned a line decision which he fek had been wrongly given in his favour After the match Gottfried took him to task. "That was very unsporting of you.", he told Don. "But Gottfried", replied Don, "I was duestioning a decision given in my favour!"

"I know", replied Gottfried. But think how you embarrassed the linesman." Yours faithfully, BUNNY AUSTIN, 5 Victoria Square, SW1. June ZZ.

#### Whitehall Theatre

From Mr Monty Moss Sir, A mention in your columns on Friday (June 19) that the Whitehall Theatre may be turned into an amusement arcade prompts me to ask how we can go about getting that theatre removed from Whitehall

inappropriate and one offering the wares that the Whitehall Theatre normally offers is doubly so.

June 22.

#### Camside reflections

St John's College, Cambridge June 25.

# sure, however, that Mr Charles Douglas-Home, in his article about O'Connor (June 20), does equal justice to these qualities, generous though his intent may have been.

General O'Connor

From Mr Ronald Lewin

The papers to which he refers, as well as the account of his campaign against the Italians which O'Connor against the hanans which of camp in smuggled out of his prison camp in Italy, have long been familiar to me and he and I have discussed together the points at issue. I made use of these papers in my recently published book on Wavell, The Chief, the final draft of which was read by the General.

But these papers were written during or immediately after a war. O'Connor then, for instance, had no conception of the complexity of reasons which caused us to send an expeditionary force to Greece - for

how could he? Wavell tried to explain the reasons to him. But O'Connor's central concern was the fact that he had not prolonged his triumphant advance as far as Tripon. The audacity to which you referred in your obituary — no less than Rommel's - was at its most

The objective historical facts, The objective historical facts, however, are quite simple. There is little doubt that, even with his exhausted and etiolated desert force, O'Connor might have reached Tripoli against the demoralized Italian opposition. But the German Air Force already commanded the eastern region of the Mediterranean. The British Navy and the Air Force were in no condition at thar time to run successfully the convoya time to run successfully the convoys which would have been needed to sustain a British presence in Tripoli. To supply a garrison there by land would have been inconceivably difficult. The notion that aid might have come from French North Africa is very dubious. O'Connor and I often discussed

these considerations, but though he

should even have acted independently and taken the risk himself All those who knew him were aware of his total commitment to the categorical imperatives of duty.

Luncheons

Royal Society The Lord Mayor of Westminster

the Royal Society, at 6 Cariton House Terrace yesterday. In addition to the officers and fellows of the society the guests included:
The Hungarian Ambassador, the Cochengrak Ambassador, the Ambassador of the Republic of Peland. The Swedish Ambassador, the High Commissioner for Nigeria, the Ambassador of Social Ambassador, the Ambassador, the Ambassador, the Ambassador, the Ambassador of Pelands, the Commissioner for Australia, Lord Denning Lord Chorley. Lord Nathamp Inde Chairman of the GLC. Sir Derek 223.
Mr Rhodes Boyaon, MP, and the Rev Austen Williams,

Garden party

Colonels Commandant, Royal

Engineers
The Colonels Commandant of the
Royal Engineers, both active and
retired, gave a garden party at
the Royal Engineers Officers
Mess, Minley Manor, yesterday.

#### **COURT** AND. SOCIAL

#### COURT -**CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 25: Mr D G Crawford was received in andience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Bahrain.

Mrs Crawford had the honour f being received by The Queen. Mr Justice Farquharson had the Mr. Justice Parquiarson has the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court of Justice when Her Majesty con-ferred upon him the honour of

Mr Justice Gibson had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court of Jus-tice when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knight-hood.

His Excellency Mr Vahap

His Excellency Mr Vahap Asiroglu and Madame Asiroglu were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambasador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Turkey to the Court of St James's.

The Queen, Patron, and The Duke of Edinburgh this evening Duke of Edinburgh this evening attended a Reception given by the Leonard Cheshire Foundation on the occasion of the Cheshire Homes International Week at the Homes International Week at the Tara Hotel, Kensington. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received by the Mayor of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea (Councillor A. H. Stevenson) and Group Captain Leonard Cheshire, VC. The Duchess of Grafton, the Right Hon Sir Philip Moore and Squadron Leader Adam Wise were in attendance. Squadron Leader Adam Wise were in attendance.
The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Duchess of Grafton, Mr William Heseltine, Rear-Admiral Leslia Townsend and Squadron Leader Adam Wise, left Waterloo Station in the Royal Train this evening for Portland.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Pres-ident of the Royal Mint Advisory Committee, this morning at Buckingham Palace presided at a

Buckingham Palace presided at a meeting of the Committee.
His Royal Highness, Patron and Trustee, attended a Reception at Buckingham Palace for young people who have reached the Gold Standard in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award.
The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron of the Greenwich Festival, was present this evening at a performance of "The Thames Our Heritage" at the Royal Navai College, Greenwich, where His Royal Highness was received upon arrival by Her Majesty's Locd-

Lieutenant for Greater London (the Baroness Phillips).
Major Justin Fenwick was in

The Prince of Wales this morning visited the Central Middlesex Hospital, Actor Lane, NW10 where His Royal Highness opened the second phase of the Ward Modernization Programme. Afterwards The Prince of Wales visited the Brent Cross Shopping Centre, Hendon Way,

rwa. Major John Winter was in strendance.

His Royal Highness, Colonel-inChief, The Parachute Regiment,
this afternoon et Buckingham
Palace received Lieutenant-Colonel
P. E. Wood upon his relinquishing command of the 15th Battalion (Scottish Volunteers) and Lieut-enant-Colonel E. A. J. Gardener apon assuming command.

The Prince of Wales this evening attended a Reception in
honour of Professor Glyn Daniel
at the Stadoners' Hall, London,

The Hon Edward Adeane was The Hon Edward Adeane was in attendance.
The Queen was represented by the Viscount Falmouth (Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cornwall) at the Funeral of Sir Robert Howe (formerly Governor General of the Sudan) which was held in St Bartholomew's Church, Lostwithiel, Cornwall, this afternoon.

CLARENCE HOUSE CLARENCE HOUSE
June 25.—Queen Edizabeth The
Queen Mother this afternoon
opened Mountbatten House, the
new Headquarters of the Royal
Life Saving Society at Studley, Warwickshire.

Her, Majesty travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Lady Grimthorpe and Captain Alastair Aird were in attendance.

June 25.—The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this after-noon visited the Dyslexia Institute in Staines. KENSINGTON PALACE n Staines. The Lady Anne Tennant was in

KENSINGTON PALACE June 25.—The Duchess of Glouc-ester as President of National Children's Home, this afternoon visited Harpenden branch and Emfield School.

The Hon Mrs Munro was in attendance.

The Earl of St Andrews is 19 today. Princess Alexandra will open the headquarters building, Medical Research Council Institute of Hearing Research, ar University Park, Nottingham, on July 7.

Mrs Michael Wynne-Parker gave birth to a daughter in Norwich yesterday. Birthdays today

#### Latest appointments Marshal of the

Diplomatic Corps The Queen has appointed Lientenant General Sir John Richards to be Her Majesty's Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps from January 1, in succession to Major-General Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard, who is retiring, having held the appointment for 11 years. General Richards has recently

retired as Commandant General of the Royal Marines. The office of Marshal of the The orrice of Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps evolved from that of Master of Ceremonies created by James I.

The Marshal is responsible to the Lord Chamberlain for maintaining close contact with the Commonwealth and foreign heads of mission accredited to the Court of St James's and assists them on all formal occasions.

the presentation of credentials by heads of mission to the Queen. More than 140 missions are accredited to the Court of St James's.

#### Funeral

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Sir Robert Howe
The Queen was represented by
Viscount Falmouth, Lord Licutenant of Cornwall, at the funeral of
Sir Robert Howe at St Bartholomew's Church, Lostwinhiel, Corowall, yesterday. The Rev R. N. K.
Watton officiated. Mr Peter Howe,
son, and Sir Thomas Oates, representing the Diplomatic Service,
read the lessons. The Mayor of
Lostwithiel attended.

Latest wills Mrs Edith Gladys Westley, of Fareham, who left estate valued at £85,823 net. Sine left all her property equally between the Royal Masonic Hospital and the Royal

Other estates include (net before tax paid): Cohn, Mrs Kate, of Hampstead 5203,467

Jewsbury, Mrs Barbara Rebecca, of Ilmington, Warwicksbire £236,921
Robertson, Mr George Gallowsy, South Shields, surgeon dentist £577,262



THE SMART SIDE OF LONDON

FOR WEDDING-GUESTS. TOURISTS AND LOYAL SUBJECTS

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr T. M. Poirier and Lady Anne Bennet and Lady Anne Bennet
The marriage will take place on
July 18, 1981 at Grace Cathedral,
San Francisco, California, between
Timothy Michael, son of the late
Mr Joseph Alfred Poirier and of
Mrs Poirier, of Comax, British
Columbia, Canada, and Lady Anne
Bennet, daughter of the Iste-Earl
of Tankerville, of 139 Olympia
Way San Francisco. Way, San Francisco.

Dr the Hon A. H. Todd and Miss P. M. Harvey Jones The engagement is announced

The engagement is announced between Alexander Heury, son of Lord and Lady Todd, of Cambridge, and Patricia Mary, daughter of Mrs A. Harvey Jones, of Somerford Booths, Cheshire, and the late Brigadier Harvey Jones.

Mr T. Whittaker and Miss C. M. A. Byrne

and Miss C. M. A. Byrne
The engagement is agnounced between Tass, son of Mr. Roger
Whittaker, of Tillington Herefordshire, and the late Mirs Betty
Whittaker, and Clere Mary Anne,
daughter of the late Wing Commander Vincent Byrne, KHS, and
the Hon Mrs Nona Byrne, of
Rangianere Rise, Lavant.

Mr G. L. Davidson and Miss E. P. Fussell

and Miss E. F. Fussell
The engagement is announced between Gavin Lindsay, som of Professor Lindsay Davidson, of Sydney, New South Wales, and Dr Joyce Davidson, of Cardiff, and Elizabeth Phelena, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Fussell, of Caerphilly, Mid Gamorgan, Mr M. E. S. Flint

and Miss F. Steele-Bodger

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The engagement is announced between Michael Edward Stamford,
younger son of Colonel and Mrs
John Flint, of The Dower House,
Great Ness, Shropshire, and Fiona,
second daughter of Professor and
Mrs Alasdair Steele-Bodger, of The
Old Rectory, Hale, Fordingbridge,
Hampshire. Mr S. Hammond

Mr S. Hammond
and Miss M. Tapner
The engagement is announced
between Steven, son of Mr R. J.
Hammond, of Welwyn Garden
City, Hertfordshire, and Mrs J. J.
Tozer of Waterford, Hertfordshire,
and Michelle, daughter of Mr and
Mrs John Tapner, of Harmer
Green, Hertfordshire.

Mr P. L. Rose and Miss D. M. Wade The engagement is announced between Paul, younger son of the late Mr J. Rose and Mrs G. Rose and Diana, daughter of Mr and Mrs 1. D. F. Wade, of Snaresbrook, London.

#### Mr P. F. Hargreaves and Miss N. Ross

and Miss N. Ross
The engagement is announced between Peter Francis, second son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Hargreaves, of 192 Thorpe Road, Peterborough, and Nicola, younger twin daughter of Group Captain and Mrs David Ross, of 6 Church Lane, Stibbington, Cambridgeshire.

and Miss K. A. Wilson

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The engagement is announced between Gilbert Clive, younger son of the late Mr G. P. Hinckley and of Mrs. Hinckley, of Westlow, Hathersage, Derbyshire, and Karen Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs. Gerald Wilson, of Glemurret, Crieff, Perthshire,

Mr J. P. Mahon and Miss M. J. Morris

and muss M. J. MOTTS
The engagement is announced between James Patrick, son of the late Mr A. P. Mahon and Mrs M. M. Mahon, of 15 Upper Beigrave Road, Clifton, Bristol, and Melissa Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Frederick Morris, of Beechfield, Monkstown, County Dublin.

Mr S. J. Stringer and Miss M. J. James
The engagement is aunounced between Stephen, son of Mr and Mrs J. V. Stringer, of Rushden, Northamptonshire, and Maureen, daughter of Mrs B, S. James, of Levices.

and Miss P. J. Hamill The engagement is announced between Bryn David, only son of Mr and Mrs T. E. Thomas, of Friars Rise, Woking, Surrey, and Joyce, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs S. L. Hamill, of Belfast,

Mr J. A. Wakeford and Miss Tan Ie Tek and mass ran it less announced between John, younger son of Mrs Wakeford and the late B. D. Wakeford, of Wraysbury, Berkshire, and Ie Tek, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Tan Tim Tioan, of Singapore. of Mr and Mi of Singapore.

Mr K. C. Webber and Miss A. N. Lloyd-Davies The engagement is announced between Keith, eider son of Mr. and Mrs F. C. Webber, of Barnes, and Annabel, youngest daughter of the late Mr Breian Lloyd-Davies and of Mrs Lloyd-Davies, of Kent House, Haverfordwest.

Marriage

Flight Lieutenant M. R. Howard and Miss L. E. Forsdike The marriage took place on June 6, 1981, at St. Peter's Church, Oadby, between Flight Lieutenaut Michael Howard, R.A.F., and Flight Lleutenaut Lynda Forsdike, P.M.R.A.F.N.S. THE TIMES UNIVERSITY RESULTS SERVICE

MEDICAL SCIENCES TRIPOS, PART 18

# Walnut cabinet sells for £90,000

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent A particularly fine pair of Queen Anne walnut and burr-walnut chairs had been tempted

part of the decorative scheme and some secret.

Blamman paid a surprise £80,000 (estimate £20,000 to £25,000) for a Queen Anne scarlet and gold lacquer bureau-cabiner.

Everyone loves red lacquer; it is rare, flauntingly decorative and usually heavily restored. This example is in more or less original condition. A George I walnut and burr-walnut bureau-cabinet sold at Christie's yesterday for 190,000; Christie's had not forecast an estimate but were suggesting a price of about £40,000 to £50,000. price of about £40,000 to £50,000.

There are plenty of early eighteenth century walnut bureaucabinets around; this was a special case, with its beautifully chosen wood, unusual design features, mint condition and documents.

A pair of George III sycamore A pair of George III sycamore and marquetry commodes of semi-elliptical shape, stylistically rarities, sold for £65,000 (estimate £40,000 to £50,000) to a private collector. The small group of commodes of that type have been attributed to William Moore, of Dublin, but Christie's favour the London firm of Ince and Mayhew. A very similar pair of commodes were sold by Sothebys' in 1979 from the collection of the Earls of Shrewsbury for £31,000; they are on offer at Partridge Fine Art. features, mint condition and documented history.

It was billed as the Rodney cabinet; it is believed to have been made for the first Lord Rodney. If was sold from his family collection in about 1918 and has not been on the market since. The bureau is anusual comprising two flaps opening outwards and a writing surface that pulls forward; the top incorporates two handsome Corinthian columns, mirror-glazed doors, and a pleitiora of small drawers, some

Dinners

Prime Minister Princess Alexandra and the Hon HM Government
Mr Richard Luce, Parliamentary
Under-Secretary for Foreign and
Commonwealth Affairs, was host
yesterday at a luncheon given at
1 Carlton Gardens, in honour of
Mr Francis Butagira, Speaker of
Uganda National Assembly. Angus Ogilvy were present at a dinner given by the Prime Min-ister and Mr Denis Thatcher at 10 Downing Street, yesterday in honour of the Vice-President of the United States and Mrs Bush. The other guests were: Uganda National Assembly.
Caming House
Mr A. B. Henderson, Chairman of
the Hispanic and Luso Brazdian
Council, was host at a luncheon
held yesterday at 2 Belgrave
Square in honour of the Foreign
Minister of Venezuela, Dr J. A.
Zambrano. The guests included:
The Ambassadors of Chile Colombia,
the Dominican Republic Ernador. Honduras, Muxico. Penama, Uruguny and
venezuela, members of the executive
committee of Canning House, the Latin
American Trade Advisory Group and
other members of the council.

Peopal Society The other guests were:
The American Ambassador and Mrs
Louis, Admiral Danle! J Murphy, Mrs
and Mrs Edward Browners, Mrs
Nancy Gre.
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Corriegion, Mr John Nott, Mr John
Mrs Nott, Mr Bumphrey Atkins, Mr,
and Mrs Atkins, Mr Michael Fou, Mr,
and Mrs Foot, Mr and Mrs William
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Deedes, Mr and Mrs William
Deedes, Mr and Mrs Gortion
Richarthson, Lady Mary Filizaten Howard, Sir Anthony Kershaw, Mp, and
Lady Esthaw, Sir Robert and Lady
Armstrong and Mr Michael Alexander,

Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, attended a conversazione given by Sir Andrew Huxley, President of the Royal Society, at 6 Carlton

State for Education and Science, was host yesterday at a dinner at 1 Carton Gardens given in honour of Mr Ranil Wickremasinghe, Minister for Education, Youth Affairs and Employment, Sri Lanka. Among the gnests were:

Mr Charitha Raiwatte, Chalman of the Sri Lanka National Youth Service Council; the High Commissioner for Sri Lanka, the Suretary-General of the Commonwealth. At A M Fletcher, MP, Mr Mw L Worls, MP, the Vice-Chancellor of Warwick University. The Casactan Director General of the British Council, the Deputy Director Council of the Period Council of Local Education Authorities. Mr D G Libby. Miss 5 J Browne, Mr A C Goodison and Mr P A Shaw, Gizziers, Company

Claziers Company
The Master, Mr J. P. S. EdgePartington, assisted by the Wardens, Mr M. E. Snow and Mr
J. J. L. Corkill, presided at a
court dinner held last night at
Glaziers' Hall. On behalf of the
livery, Mr George M. Gee presented to Mr Antony Pikington
a stained glass representation of

HONOURS SCHOOL OF

J G Harrison-Stream, K D See,
Pass degree: O N Living, Ordinary
degree, Division III: 6 Yound.

HONOURS SCHOOL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES (GERMAN)

First class: Ruth E Rawling,
Sectors class, division I: Anne I
Bowns, D J Cambler, Ruth D Miller
M A Senior, I D Turser, Division II
Vivienze E Greenwood; C B Nobel
Caroline V Strond.

HONOURS SCHOOL OF APPLIED LANGUAGE STUDIES (FRENCH)

First class: Antonia M N Barnes, Second chris, Division if Elizabeth Airay, Beverley D Asiman, Slan Huws, Angels M Insole, Annabel Par Carol, Thompson.

HONOURS SCHOOL OF APPLIED LANGUAGE STUDIES (GERMAN)

HONOURS SCHOOL OF METALLURGY AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING Second class. Division 1: 8 C Scho-field, Division II: CT Aw. Third class: M.N. Edge, Cancyl Oking

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Third class: (7) A J Strutt.
Third class: (7) H K Ahmed. (8) M B Clarke. (8) A Cohen. (8) C J Barthman. (7) S P Hollday. (5) O D James. (5) A N Rothwell.

Pass Degree: (T) J A Medina. (T) Oztation, (S) Gillian A Parry.

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Second class, Division 1: (S) L Mangena, Division 11: (T) A N Arcylci. Third Class: (T) M Kizilay. (S) C J Pajak,

HONOURS SCHOOL OF MATERIALS

HUMBURS SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

HONOURS SCHOOL OF ANATOMY
First class: E T Brackenbury, S J
Harper, Philomena M Swarbrick.

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Second class, Division 1; Chrisina abuers, Judith M Hill, Judith Leytor, vision 11: Cocile A Dymout, 1 C

architectural drawings and water-colours made £109,872, with 3 per cent unsold.

in for sale by the £18,000 fetched by a pair at Christie's last year. The owner was left more than happy when they were bid to £30,000 (estimate £15,000 to

£20,000 (eschiate £15,000 to £20,000) this time.

The sale was remarkably buoyant, with a total of £991,750 and 8 per cent unsold. An important pair of English Soho

tapestries accounted for most of

the unsold percentage, failing to find a buyer and being bought in at £58,000 (estimate £50,000 to

at 158,000 (estimate 150,000 to 1570,000). The interest of a small group of American collectors is a crucial diffuence on the big prices now paid for high quality and documented English furniture. At Sotheby's a sale of British architectural drawings and water.

guests included :

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.The annual dinner of officers of the 1st Punjab Regimental Associa-tion was held at the Naval and Military Club yesterday Major-General J C Elliott was in the General J G Ethort was in the chair. Among those present were. Major-Generals E H W Grimshaw, Nawabzada Sher All Khan; Brigadier R Johnson and Colonel Clive Auchinleck. A special toast was drunk to the memory of the late Field Marshal Sir Claude Auchin-

Mountain Artillery

The annual dinner of the Moun The annual dunier of the Moun-tain Artillery Dinner Club was held last night at the Naval and Military Club, Major-General B. P. Hughes presided and Brigadier E. W Chadwick was the principal guest, Major-General Muhammad Aslam was among those present.

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the Company's arms for exhibition in the Pilkington Brothers Museum

at St Helens. Society of Apothecaries of London society or apotnecaries of London
The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs
were entertained by Mr Guy Blackburn, Master of the Society of
Apothecaries of London, Sir
Ronald Gibson, Senior Warden, Dr
T D Whittet, Junior Warden, and
members of the court of the society at a court dinner held in the
society's hall yesterday. Other
guests included:
Major-General, Sir James d'Avisdor

Service dinners 1st Punjab Regiment

Sir Alfred North, PC, KBE, who died on June 22 at the age of 80, was a Judge of the New Zealand Court of Appeal from 1957 to 1972 and president from 1963 to 1972. He was appointed the first chairman of the New Zealand Press Council in 1972.

**OBITUARY** 

MR BOZORG

Noted Iranian

Writer

Your correspondent's news

of June 23 that Mr Bozorg Abayi, one of the foremost

modern Iranian writers, was

among those recently executed, must shock everyone who is

concerned with Persian litera-

ture. For Bozorg Alavi, after as

a young man being imprisoned

for communism under Reza Shah, following his release dur-

ing the Second World War, emerged as an exceedingly sensitive novelist and short-

story writer with the rare talent

of being able to raise social comment and criticism to the

The pousic of his language and a poignancy totally free from sentimentality give his writing a universality of appeal and the durability of what

always remains moving and

memorable. No threnody need

discuss his politics, always of the left, but this note must mention Alavi's generosity and

grace of character, and his courage, manufested in his life. long adherence to his political principles, which included unceasingly voicing the demand

for sexual equality in Iran and the oblineration of ignorance

Faced by the magnitude of

the achievements of Persian

literature in ancient times, the

assessment of the merit of twen-

tieth century exponents of it is

not easy, and they themselves, where lesser talents are con-cerned, have shown signs of

being dauated by a great tradi-tion. In the case of Alavi, his strength of genius and purity of expression leave no difficulty in ranking him among the greater christianurs.

contributors to Persian writing, so that his death; in circum-

stances which for a man of his political persuasion must, in a

post-revolutionary period, seem

exceedingly ironical, is all the more startlingly magic.

SIR ALFRED NORTH

und superstation.

evel of lasting literature.

Peter Avery writes:

ALAVI

in 1972.

Alfred Kingsley North, the son of the Rev J. J. North, DD. was bord on December 17, 1900 and educated at Canterbury College, Christchurch. He was for many years a member of the legal firm of Earl Kent and Co. Auckland. He took silk in 1947 and was a Judge of the Supreme Court. New Zealand from 1951 until his promotion Physical T I Axor A R Beweiss. I Buder, H R Catcharos M A I. Csols, I Girndining, R S Gronk. R J Kimenhreys, T J Jonas S V Ker-shaw, S L Matthews, E Mitchell. S J Stundy, P. Mc Roys, ... to the Court of Appeal. He was knighted in 1957, created KBE in 1964 and sworn of the Privy Council two years later. He was an honorary Bencher of Gray's

Grace Dawson. They had two sons and one daughter.

June 19. at the age of 65. Joan Dorothy Lainz (née Bratt) trained at Ridglands Bible College as a missionary and later studied nursing, tak-ing examinations in midwifery

she was a member of the coun-cil and chairman and founder of its friends association. She was also an active member of the Red Cross, being chairman of the north-west sector of the London Branch of the British Red Cross Society, which took in the old county of Middlesex and the London areas of Westminster and Chelsea,

Sir Robert George Howe, GBE, KCMG, who was Gover-nor-General of the Sudan from 1947 to 1955, died on June 22 at the age of 87. Robert George Howe was educated at Derby School and St Catharine's college, Cambridge. He was Third Secretary at Copenhagen in 1920 and subsequently Second Secretary. Subsequently he was at the

Allaway, Susan A Bloxham, huah, M R Dando, M J Downes, I Essex, J Fall, R Fox, G L J S Lovatt, D H L Noselev, ttleworth, Janet M Smith, D

1945 he was Minister in Abyssinia. From 1945 he was Assistant Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office. He retired after his last appoints ment as Governor-General of the Sudan. He was a TP for Cornwall from 1955 to 1968.

Mr John Newton Frence CBE, who died on June 23 at the age of 74, was Pro-Chancel-lor of Leicester University from

The son of J. R. Frears, he was born on June 29, 1906, and educated at Gresham's School. Bisquirs Ltd.

dom under the Ministry of Food. He was an honorary LLD of Leicester University and was made CBE in 1955.

Lady Tudsbery, widow of Sir Francis Tudsbery, CBE, died on June 22. She was Isahella, daughter of R. M. Sucherland, and she was macried in 1914.

#### First class: L. A Belboer, Second class, Division I: J Balcombe, H Clampitt, A J Power, S K E Cambridge Tripos Ragoonadou, Division ill P A Beven, P Cassidy, A Christodoulod, Carole E Lord, L R. Normie, Angele J Williams Third case: a Dougnay P S Gallimore, J T. L Gervack, P G Grace, J G Harrison-Bryan, K D See.

The following Tripos results from Cambridge University are published:



Lord Rawlinson of Ewell, QC, who is 62.

Sir Campbell Adamson, 59; Pro-Sir Campbell Adamson, 59; Professor Sir Ashley Clarke, 78; Mr Justice Eastham, 61; Mr Michael Elliott, 50; Mr Alexander Fenton, 52; Mr W. Hamilton, MP, 64; Professor Sir Keith Hancock, B3; Vice-Admiral Sir John Lancaster, 78; Dr Doris Odlum, 91; Professor A. T. Peacock, 59; Mr C. G. Randolph, 82; Brigadier Sir Charles Spry, 71; Lord Wolfenden, 75.

Hancock, Nadine Shirley, of Hull £209;054 Howitt, Mrs Alice Marjorie, of Winthorpe, Nottinghamshire £258.852

Ward, Mrs Ethel Mary, of Lyme Regis £298,305

CLASSICAL TRIPOS PART 2
Class 1: A J Balley, Newn: A M
Collinge, Newn: D S Hole, Pet: C H
Lobel, Trip: C F Roxburgh, Prin: J R
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Moreover ... Miles Kington

Chapter Three Of an afternoon, Byron liked nothing better than to spar five rounds with various famous Regency figures, first man to lose his wig the loser. They

Georgette Heyer in places where they still talk about that sort of thing. But when Murray organized the press conference at which Fleet Street was first introduced to Byron's club foot, be appounced that following doctor's orders Byron was giving up boxing and taking up Greek politics instead, as it

regret. Chapter Four

Byron,

They want you to write a feature on having a full and happy love life despite your club foot."

"Tell them to get lost", said " For £5,000 ".

[Chapter Five is withdrawa pending discussions with Greek libel lawyers.] Chapter Six

I see old Byron's snuffed it In Greece", said the Prince of Wales to Mrs Prince of Wales, "Byron?" she said, "Not the man who wrote I Walized My Way to Stardom Despite a My Way to Stardom Despite a Club Foot and Some Pretty Average Dance Bands??"

"I don't think so", he said, scauning the paper. "He was a Greek boxer of some kind."

"Never heard of him", she said. "Oh look, there's faithfui Tom Moore!"

The End. (If you are interested in turnthis into an unusual TV docu-mentary, or if your name is simply Ken Russell, please get

Chapter Five

He was twice married.

Her husband died in 1968.

Civilised places to eat, drink and he merry. buy presents fit for a king, have your hair done, lunch with your teenagers without their dying of embarrassment. and get the children off your hands. PLUS . FASHION IN A FROTH OF WHITE MARRYING AT 20 LIFE ON THE DOLE AND. THE ZEITLINGER WARTRAIT this month – Bryan Ferry aaa<del>aaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa</del>

#### 25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, June From Our Architectural

'At the end of the war there were fears that Rotterdam, how-ever energetically the destroyed city was rebuilt, might not recover her prosperity because of her de-pendence as an entrepot port on the industrial areas inland, especially the Rhineland. But these especially the Rhineland. But these fears were not realized and Rotterdam's recovery is illustrated by the remarkable growth in recent years of Vlaardingen, once a fishing village on the New Maas between Rotterdam and the Hook of Holland; now a thriving port forming an extension of the port of Rotterdam iself. Together with Vlaardingen, Rotterdam claims to be the third busiest seaport in the world after London and New York, and taken by itself Vlaardingen is and taken by itself Vlaardingen is now the third seaport of the Netherlands after Rotterdam and Amsterdam. Its population has doubled since just before the war

As most novels are written to be turned into films, I shall from time to time write entire novels in this space which are not meant to be read, only to be snapped up for film and TV rights. The first one is entitled;

THE AMAZING LIPE OF LORD BYRON Chapter One "Egad", grumbled Lord Byron, heart-throb of a thousand heir-esses and fifty-five publishers, as he stamped his foot and fell

over.
"You don't grumble 'Egad',
Byron", said faithful Thomas
Moore. "You ejaculate it.
Look, like this."
"Egad!" ejaculated faithful Thomas Moore. Chapter Two "Great stuff, Byron!" said John Murray, wading through a

random page of Childe Harold.
"Can't say it's my cup of rea,
but I know a potential hit
when I see one. But I'm arraid that you're going to need a gimmick of some kind." "Gimmick? What's a gim-mick?" said. Lord Byron, getting up and falling over.

"Nothing personal", said
Murray untruthfully, "but why
do you keep falling over?"
"Club foot", said Byron
tersely. "Bad accident while tersely. "Bad accident while out waltzin', don't you know." "Great !" said Murray. "Great!" said Murray. There's your gimmick!"

still talk about his sensational third round knock-out of

was much safer. It was a decision he was later

"Got The Sun on the phone", said faithful Thomas Moore.

"Give me the phone", said. Byron, falling over.

in touch c/o this page.)

"The Times" will publish the final results

from every university in the course of the next

few weeks.

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st the old Lying-In-Hospital.
She married in 1939.
She always' maintained a close interest in handicapped

young people—in particular John Groom's Association for the Disabled at Edgware, where

SIR R. G. HOWE

embassies in Belgrade, 1922; Rio de Janeiro, 1924; Bucharest, 1926; and was back at the Foreign Office in 1930.

From 1934 he was first Acting Counsellor and then Counsellor at Peking and was Minister in Riga from 1940, From 1942 to 1945 he was Minister in

MR. J. N. FREARS

Holt, and Trinity College, Cambridge. He entered the family biscuit-making concern, Freats and Blacks, on coming down and was chairman from 1937 to 1970. From 1964 to 1971 he was a director of Nabisco-Freats During the Second World War he was Director of Bakeries for the United King-

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Cinema

# Bergman's inimitable view of human relationships

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For Your Eyes Only

Odeon, Leicester Sq.

All Night Long (A)

Plaza

Happy Birthday to Me (X)

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There is the obstacle, these days, in approaching a new Bergman film that the irresistible first impression is of someone imitating Woody Allen imitating, in his serious persona, Ingmar Bergman. Allen in his affection, has so exactly echoed the bleached-out black and white images, the austere sets and compositions, the confessional closeups, the despairing (not desperate) view of human relationships that it is hard at first to see them quite

hard at first to see them quite as we saw them before.

Very soon though, From the Life of the Marionettes reaffirms how unmistakable and inimitable is Bergman's view of the Manichaean hell of human sentiments and relationships. He travels with his own universe on his back: From the Life of the Marionettes was made in West Germany, but the people who inhabit it might people who inhabit it might come from any of the films Bergman made in his native

Theatre

Theatre Upstairs

More, it seems, through threats of litigation by the Woolf estate

than through personal choice.

Natasha Morgan's dramatized petition for rights to domestic solitude is a highly-charged original piece owing little to Virginia Woolf's A Room of Occasion of the comments.

Its starting point is the same; woman needs a small indepen-

if she is to get any creative work done. Beyond that, the

production presents the inequi-table existing state of affairs, sometimes withdrawing for historical long-shots and public

lectures, sometimes zooming into the daily female frustrations of unpaid household drudgery and incessant inter-

The show is built around a

letter from a wife to a husband, laying out her demands for a new deal, and ending with the postscript that she has had to leave the baby crying for two

hours to write it. During its composition (the actual show

lasts only an hour) we get-scenes of unthinking male

selfishness, nursery parables, journal entries, dinner parties; and anger bursting like a freak storm out of sullen routine.

Neither the ideas nor the dialogue are particularly strik-ing, but the mis-en-scène is

another matter. The piece is. about space, and it makes its main statement in spatial terms.

Room

The film is more instantly accessible them many that have gone before. It relates the investigation of a sensational murder—though the quest is not for the killer but for his reasons. It begins with the killing and posthumous rape of a friendly prostitute—shot incolour in the lurid setting of a tatty live-sex peepshow. The murderer is a good-looking young business man, well liked by everyone and apparently happily married. The police investigations however uncover a story of tormented relationstory of tormented relation-

a story of tormented relation-ships.
Yet (and this presumably is why it is the life of the marionettes) it is such relation-ships, however awful, which shape our lives. The murderer, Peter, is motivated, as we discover, less by a spontaneous will than by the people who compete to control him, His wife is a dominating career compete to control him. His wife is a dominating career woman for whom their childless marriage has been a failure; their sexual relationship is based significantly on fantasies of humiliation. His mother is egocentric, wanting to possess him in the same abstract unemotional way as she clings to her old, over-large house. The wife's homosexual business partner hovers like a bird of prey, waiting for the moment when Peter might fall to him. The psychiatrist to whom Peter The psychiatrist to whom Peter turns for help is more interested in an affair with the patient's wife than with the patient himself.

Small wonder then that Peter is driven to aightnesses.

is driven to nightmares and ballucinations of murdering his wife; and finally to realize these fantasies at the expense of his-substitute victim before retreating into a mental hospital and

cosy infantilism. Bergman is inimitable in his Bergman is inimitable in his ability to make compelling drama out of lives so bleak and inescapable (there is a rather overemphatic symbolism in the scene where Peter, trying to avoid his crime, finds all exit doors locked against him). Removing every extraneous distraction, emptying the image

From the Life of the Marionettes (X)

Sweden before he was harried into exile by the tax authorities.

The film is more instantly more drams laside 1 human accessible than many that have mind than any other than any

mind than my other theatre can contain.

In one remarkable, extended scene, the homosexual, who has until now presented the social appearance of a cheerful, considerate clown, felivers a long monologue, mostly addressed to his murror image, which transforms the tetrors of age, of loneliness, of wilful degradation of sexual ideals into a devastating human tragedy. In another sequence, simpler but no less remarkable, Peter dictates a business letter to his secretary, and the twists of his thought expose the sormented competities of his mind as clearly as a dissection would reveal intestinal structures.

would reyeal intestinat structures.

The narrative of the police investigation shoots backwards and forwards in time, laying the story out in pieces that are put together again like a jigsaw puzzle which, when completed is a psychological portrait of Peter. Then, however, the film delivers its rather startling anti-climar. The psychiatrist, offerdelivers its rather startling anti-climax. The psychiatrist, offer-ing his "provisional report", delivers an analysis of the case in terms so crudely naive as to leave us bewildered: can Berg-man really believe so simplistic: a reading of a mind portrayed with such subtle care; or is it intended as an ironic comment upon the inadequacies of scien-tific knowledge of the mind? However we credit this crass attempt to rationalize, though However we credit this crass attempt to rationalize, rhough, it cannot detract from what has gone before, or Bergman's insights into the workings of our souls and sentiments. It still is a vision like no one else's in its ability to reflect the human mind in pictures that are always extraordinary and arresting (Bergman works with his customary cinematographer resting (Bergman works with his customary cinematographer Sven Nykvist). Images like the dream of the naked couple isolated in a great field of white, or the oppressive mirrormaze of the homosexual's apartment, afford a sense of spectacle more thrilling than all the massed opulence of Hellywood.



Peter (Robert Atzorn) in vain search of help from the psychiatrist (Martin Benrath)

The James Bond films are a, fact of life. They sell as surely as pocuto crisps, and aesthetic considerations have nothing to as potitio crisps, and assinent considerations have nothing to do with it. For Your Eyes Only is no better or worse than or very much different from, its immediate predecessors; though over the years there has been an appreciable change. At first the films aspired to a degree at least of sophistication in the throwaway dialogue and the tongue-in-cheek attitude to sex. Now they acknowledge that all the audience asks for is fast schoolboy adventure. There is no more pretence at probability, no attempt at sophistication in dialogue or character or relationships; not even any very great effort to make the stuntmen look much like their character doubles. Dishelief, it is clearly assumed, is reputrously and totally suspended.

The manufacture of Bond films must now be a fairly mechanical business — the invention of stunt coordinators and stunt men (which, certainly, are better than ever in this one), the creation of clever film editors. The dramatic bits between the set pieces don't count for much. Roger Moore's

Bond is a very constant factor though as he gets craggier an element of isn't-he-marvellous-for-bis-age must (spice the credulous faith that the stuntmen and he are one). The girls (here Carole Bouquet) are needed for their looks. The locations (Cortins, the Greek Islands) are clearly designed as happy reminders of package holidays.

Gag codas are a special feature of the Bond series; this one has Janet Brown and John Wells doing their Maggie and Dennis-turn. Is this particular double-act as keenly appreciated abroad as here, one wonders; or will versions for American distribution need to have a Ron and Nancy alternative?

tive?

All Night Long is one of those misfortunes that happen far too often. There is, it seems, a complex and quite uninteresting inside story to explain why, improbably. Barbra Streisand took over the leading role from Lisa Eichhorn at an advanced stage of production, inevitably throwing off-balance an already shaky scenario.

It seems less like a stenario, indeed, than a haphazard selec-tion of scenes from some long-

running television series. Gene Hackman battles hopelessly to discover any consistency in his character as an executive who revolts against the system, is revolts against the system, is demoted to manager of an allnight supermarket, and ends up walking out on marriage and responsibility to start a new life. Streisand, affecting a Marilyn Monroe baby voice which hardly fits the face, is the seductress who guides him off the rails. There are some funny lines, but there is very oft the rails. There are some funny lines, but there is very little sense; and the most amusing performance in a generally tiresome film is Dennis Quaid as Hackman's incorrigibly slobbish son.

Happy Birthday to Me is this week's Canadian-made horror film and a carbon cony of the

film and a carbon copy of the rest. The same luscious, indis-tinguishable sophomores are bloodily slaughtered, one by one, like Ten Little Wotsits, by one, like Ten Little Wotsits, by a mysterions maniac. This film piles up the red herrings and talse leads in such quantity that it drags on to an interminable 111 minutes before its ending, of surpassing absurdity. It was directed by the British vetern J. Lee Thompson who at 67 years Lee Thompson, who at 67 years old should know better.

**David Robinson** 

law of journalism. Certainly, all the old enecdotes are here. Like his experience on the Daily Worker and other red rags, inventing such propaganda myths as the non-existent Teman Offensive in the Spanish civil war. And contrariwise, winning the prize, as a Times

with: United Nations General
Assembly Opens Today: Quiet
Session Expected.

In the "reader's digest"
version of Cockburn it is the
personal, rather than the professional side that suffers. Cut,
his account of how his children
got polio reads almost unfeelingly. The full version doesn't.
Cockburn is a man of our
time. The 20th century—and
the 1930s especially—romantitime. The 20th century—and the 1930s especially—romanticized the newsman. Him and that not so different character, the spy. The journalist became our anti-hero: the equivalent of poets like Byron or Shelley a hundred years before.

Then, a journalist like De Quincy was a poet manaqué. In the thirties a poet like Auden was a Cockburn manaqué.

was a Cockburn manaque.

Ominously restrained for most of the time, Miss Morgan snaps to great effect. She is well supported by Jermy Carey, Helen Cooper, and Nigel

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"The way" I said "that some women in bed try to lure you into saying something disobliging about one's wife."

The "I" in question is Claud Cockburn, who is the prime embodiment, latterly, of the third have of journalism. The first two are a moderate ability to write, and (according to Michola's Tomalin) rat-like cumning.

The third is an ability to hite the hand that feeds you. Perhaps we should dub this... Cockburn's Law.

It wasn't a woman in his bed **Actress Awards** 

Cockburn's Law.

It wasn't a woman in his bed who was trying to get Cockburn to say something disobliging. It was that experienced bawd. Lord Beaverbrook. Patron of among others, Michael Foot and Ameurin Beaver and Ameurin Beaver and Lord's flat behind the Ritz, in order to take part in a small-scale Roman Games for the good Lord's amusement. Beaverbrook's flat behind the Ritz, in order to take part in a small-scale Roman Games for the good Lord's amusement. Beaverbrook wanted Cockburn to rat on his friends in the way he had already ratted on (for example) The Times when he worked on it.

The fellow-guests of the excommunist Cockburn included a drunken Randolph Churchill and various figures from the 1930s past, who

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Cockburn Sums Up

By Claud Cockburn

and various figures from the 1930s past, who had an air of having been exhumed: some seeming to be skulls with rouged lips and cheekbones, other raill having tatters of skin and shrunken flesh above their black ties or bare collarbones.

This was almost twenty years the statement of the party of the par

after the war. Beaverbrook was well into his decline (he died in 1964). Cockburn need not have gone. But he went, I suppose, under the impetus of the fourth law of journalism; Go where the

under the impetus of the fourth law of journalism; Go where the power is (or, at a pinch, was); you may learn something.

The Beaverbrook anecdote is one of the frills sewn on to the end of Cockburn's new-old book. There are 30 chapters. Of these, 25 are simply, edited down from his previous collection of autobiographies, I. Chaud. Every paragraph in this, the major part has — so far as I could check — appeared before. It is just that a lot of intervening paragraphs have been cut out. The publishers do not make this very clear.

All journalists will tell you about the need for novelty. Claud. Cockburn is evidence for the power of repetition.

When, in his mimeographed sheet, The Week, he was wanting to establish the idea of a "Cliveden set" that was busy fixing British policy behind the scenes, he printed the story once — and no one noticed. He printed it a second time — and a few did. He printed it a third time — and it became common currency.

Perhaps repetition is the fifth

currency.

Perhaps repetition is the fifth

sub-editor for the most boring headline: Small Earthquake in Chile, Not Many Killed.

This was still a legend when I joined The Times, many years afterwards. I tried to beat with: United Nations General

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the darkness.

The writing table is covered.

Vladimir Ashkenazy

Festival Hall

Though the demands of Beethoven and Chopin are so different. Ashkenazy has never found them incompatible. No other two composers have shared as much of his life. Once more he divided his time between them on Wednesday, as he will shortly do again, in an almost identical programme, at the Edinburgh Festival — and no doubt in many other places too. Both halves brought piano playing of uncommonly refined brilliance as well as an unaffected simplicity of style directing attention away from performer to the music itself. But, like Richter, Mr Ashkenazy is more

ECO/Perahia

Queen Elizabeth Hall

It always used to be reckoned

that playing a Mozart piano concerto and conducting an orchestra were both full-time

jobs. But nowadays, inspired by Mozart's own procedures and

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a self-conscious interpreter. Mr Askenazy just seemed the medium through which the

Gallic than Tebronic. For me, his translucent sound-world and effortless fluency and musical grace belonged most to Chopin. With rubato of the utmost subtlety the two Op. 27 Nocturnes in C sharp minor and B flat were exquisitely shaped, the one mysteriously etherial as a dream, the other bathed in Italian sunshine, its decorative floritura of dewdrop delicacy. In the B minor Sonaia there

Natasha Morgan; a dramatized petition for rights to domestic solitude

In the B minor Sonata there were marvels of pianism, quavers and semiguavers that streamed like water, melody that floated, and always the clearest texture through which counter-themes and inner parts could sing. Yet never were you aware of virtuosity per se, or of

the high skill of modern chamber orchestras, there are plenty of players eager to play both roles, as Murray Perahia did on Wednesday.

In the first of them, KZ/I in

E flat, his mastery (of the situation) was never in question. Perhaps, at the very start, he had the orchestra move a shade quicker and more perkily than he wanted for the solo music; the ritornello seemed a little selfconsciously "early", but at the piano entry proper the phrasing became more sophisticated, the emotional sophisticated, the emotional texture decidedly thicker. He needed that greater scope, to accommodate the richness of his tone, the delicacy of his shading, the breadth of his phraseology — his control of the tension in the stretches of the tension in the stretches of

passage work shows the large scale of his thinking. The Andartino was still morepowerful, with the crystalline purity of his diction and the steadily increasing intensity with which he imbued those

like cobrasi

From Beethoven Mr Ashkenazy chose the last two sonatas. While he caught the spiritual grare of the A flat work with his limpid tone and simple lyricism, it was an interpretation bordering on understatement, with slightly faster than usual tempo for the first movement, and not quite the aching intensity in the Arioso that we often hear. From Beethoven Mr Ashke

with a window frame, forming a miniature, stage for a dinner party attended by leering male cut-outs. There is an extraordinary moment when a mass of papers on the book-crammed floor sure into life, and the writings of Antra Raby and the

writings of Aphra Behn and her descendants writhe into the air

Miss Morgan has worked with

But the first movement of the C minor sonata was turbulently passionate and strong as well as fast, and where Beethoven reaches out to the stars in the finale Mr Ashkenazy went with

Joan Chissell

ornament entrusted lines, so that the climax—that passion-ately rhetorical cadenza—had a force akin to that of the different but analogous out-burst at the parallel point in Beethoven's G major concerto.

The late C major concerto K503 — new m Mr Perabia's repertory — is bigger, more complex, and more demanding. the division of his attention told here and there. But here too the here and there. But here too the critical linking passages were tautly held; and in the Andante there was some gently languorous playing which if not so deeply felt might have seemed indulgent. The remarkable feature was the slow (and variable) tempo for the finale, which ressumed new weight but at the assumed new weight but at the same time a new, and perhaps not quite truthful, romanic warmth; but this is a case where beauty, if not identical with truth, had to be allowed to

Stanley Sadie

Dance

# American youth personified

the bombardment of distrac-tions and abrupt amplified

It may not cut much ice to say that women have to run the house while men take it easy. It

does mean something when the wife unpegs the washing while the husband pounds his typewriter in accelerating rhythm until she dumps the lot on his

the

Twyla Tharp

the experimental People Show, but her model here seems rather to be the method of

Tadeusz Kantor, with its inani-mate life tricks, simultaneous action, integration of perform-ance and pre-recorded sound-masks, and musical control of

pace and climax. The wife's

experiences are thus passed on direct to the audience through

Sadler's Wells

One reason why Twyle Tharp's One reason why Twyla Tharp's second programme, given at Sadler's Wells on Wednesday, drew a long line at the box office and cheers at the end of each work is that her choreography and her company are as American as pecan pie. Transatlantic ways and fashions have always had an attraction for English audiences (their grass is taller as well as grass is taller as well as greener), and she shows the world of American youth, from small-town dreams to big-city slickness.

slickness.

Eyen the range of ethnic types among the dancers (two black, one Japanese and an assortment of different whites) is itself typically American. Those dancers, incidentally, are as strong a team as we have seen in a long time. Tharp has managed to keep both the quality and the manner of the company over the years in space of changes of personnel and an increase in total numbers.

A consequence of that is that the one familiar work on this programme, Eight Jelly Rolls, maintains all its former charm and impact although newcomers have taken over the roles once memorably danced by such individualists as Rose Marie Wright, Sara Rudner and Tharp herself, Jennifer Way's relaxed

wayward, punchy comedy of Christine Uchida are entirely different from their prede-cessors but make an exactly equivalent effect. The three new works all show Tharp's love of unexpected juxtapositions, but in strikingly varied contexts. The Rags Suite sandwiches Mozart's variations on "Ah, vous dirai-je, Maman"

assurance, Shelley Washington's sharp definition and the

between two Scott Joplin numbers: an unusual assignment for the pianist, Penelope Roskell, and elegantly carried off. On stage, Shelley Washington and the stylish John Carrafa prove equally accomplished in what is probably an even more tricky mixture, since Tharp's choreography expects them to change techniques and manners not only from one section to the next, but sometimes within a next, but somet single phrase. but sometimes within a

Any movement is grist to Tharp's mill. Grimaces, for instance, are choreographed in with the varied dance styles of The Rags Suite. One of her Short Stories uses sporty movements to tell you a lot about its four dancers in the other to four dancers; in the other, to Supertramp's rock song "Lover Boy", the dancing looks like the ordinary behaviour of ordinary young people until a

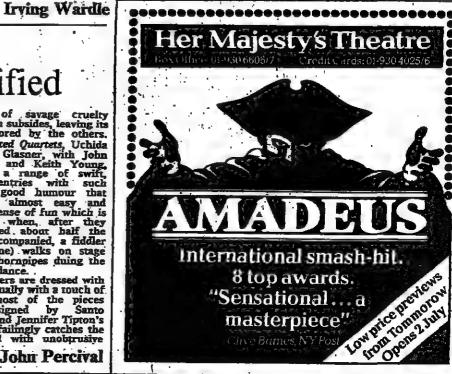
situation of savage cruelty arises, then subsides, leaving its victim ignored by the others. wictim ignored by the others.

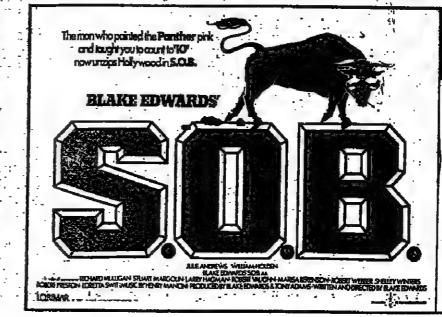
In Assorted Quartets, Uchida and Katie Glasner, with John Malashock and Keith Young, undertake a range of swift, difficult entries with such confident good humour that they look almost easy and convey a sense of fun which is heightened when, after they have danced about half the work unaccompanied, a fiddler (Brian Stone) walks on stage and plays hornpipes duing the rest of the dance.

The dancers are dressed with flair and usually with a touch of humour, most of the pieces being designed by Santo Loquasto, and Jennifer Tipton's lighting unfailingly catches the right mood with unobrusive skill.

machine and goes off to shoot the baby.

John Percival





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THE TIMES June 26 1981 ...

'Glass wire' down the pits, page 23

#### Stock markets FT Index 544.8 down 3.6 FT Gilts 65.96 down 0.28

#### Sterling \$1.9550 down 250 points Index 94.7 down 0.9

#### Index 108.9 up 1.0 DM 2.3885 up 128 points

#### **■** Gold \$445.50 down \$16.00

#### Money 3 mth sterling 101-101 3 mth Euro \$ 181-181

#### IN BRIEF

6 mth Euro \$ 173-171

#### No action on bank giro charges

Government action in the row over increased bank giro charges to mail order companies is unlikely, a joint parliamentary and trade union deputation was told yesterday. Mrs Sally Oppenheim, Minister for Consumer Affairs, is waiting to see if the problem can be solved through talks between mail order companies and National Giro. National Giro hopes to offer mail order companies a cheaper deal.

Mrs from Lancashire and Yorkshire, where most mail order companies are based and officials of the Union of Shop, Distributive and Allied Workers (USDAW) had asked Mrs Oppenheim to intervene over bank giro charges.

Charges were about 5p a transaction but have risen to 20p

saction but have risen to 20p and more adding around 532m a year to wail order costs. This comes on top of difficult trading in the last year which has

USDAW fears the extra costs from the giro increases could mean the loss of at least 5,000 jobs. Liverpool-based Littlewoods, one of the leading mail order companies, is already phasing out 800 jobs. Any Government action would probably be under the Competition Act.

Talks on plant future MPs and industrialists met Mr Kenneth Baker, industry minister, yesterday to air their fears about the future of Esso's proposed £306m ethylene plant at Moss Morran in Fife. Mr Harry Hornsby, director-general of the Process Plant Associa-tion, said two companies could go out of business and 2,000 jobs could be endangered if the, plant orders did not go ahead

#### Harvester cuts 720

International Harvester is to make 720 workers redundant, 635 at its Doncaster plant and 85 at its London headquarters. The company said reduced demand for its products, including tractors, had made compulsory redundancies inevitable.

#### Fire damage

The cost of fire damage in Britain last month was £26.4m compared with £34m last year, the British Insurance Association announced yesterday. There were 13 fires costing £250,000 or more; the largest estimated was £1m at a London

#### UK stocks fall

Stocks fell by £476m in the first quarter of 1931, Department of Trade figures show. Manufacturing stocks went down by £600m, whilst retailers housted their stock holdings by boosted their stock holdings by £146m, and investment in indus-try fell 2½ per cent to £2,300m.

#### Takeover rejected

The National Coal Board Pension Funds have had their biggest United States property takeover bid, the £132m offer of \$33 a share for Connecticut General Mortgage and Realty Investments rejected.

#### Computer orders ICL has received more than 50 orders valued at £2m from

Australia, South Africa, Conti-nental Europe and Britain for-its new small business Vulnerable engineers

One third of British mechanical engineering companies are financially vulnerable according to a new survey by the business information company Dun & Bradstreet.

#### Wall Street down

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 996.77, off 2.56 on Wall Street yesterday. The S=SDR exchange rate was 1.15446 while the £=SDR rate

# **EEC** ministers agree on new steel pact

After 12 hours of negotiation, ministers settled early yesterday on a timetable for the elimination of state aids to the steel mation of state aids to the steel industry; a new regime to limit production and so, it is hoped, raise prices; and a financial contribution from the EEC towards the cost of short time working and early retirement among steelworkers in Britain, France and Belgium.

As the talks ended, Mr. Gissen

France and Belgium.

As the talks ended, Mr Gijsbert van Aardenne, the Dutch economics minister, announced:

"The EEC steel industry has taken a great step forwards". In reaching agreement, the ministers managed to reconcile a complicated mixture of interests and priorities among the member states. They were under pressure because a replacement had to be found for the present system of compulsory production quotas which expires at the end of this month. month.

A solution was made doubly difficult because the West German Government made its assent conditional on the other member states agreeing to cut state subsidies to their own in-

industry sources.

The move represents a sudden reversal by Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Oil Minis

ter, who last week told the long-term strategy session of the Organization of Petroleum Ex-

porting Countries meeting in-Geneva that Saudi Arabia

would not cut its present pro-duction of 10.3 million barrels

a day. Saudi production was running

at 8.5 million barrels a day be-fore the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war last September. The

Gulf, but by increasing produc-tion the Saudis forced the Opec-

production cut of a million bar-

POUND HIT

BY SWISS SELLING

By Frances Williams

The pound took another knocking on the world's foreign

exchange markets yesterday, as the dollar made fresh headway

against most leading currencies.
Sterling slumped 24 cents against the dollar to close in London at \$1.9550, bringing the

total loss in the last two days to 4.40 cents. It also weakened

against Continental currencies

such as the Deutsche mark, down 14 pfennigs to DM 4.674; from DM 4.691 on Wednesday, and its trade weighted exchange rate index dropped 0.9 to 94.7.

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Dealers attributed the pound's

fall to strong selling orders from Switzerland and, later in

the day, from Chicago. This far

outweighed the brief fillip it received from news of Saudi

Arabia's modest cut in oil pro-

The price of gold fell \$16 to \$445.50 an ounce on widespread

selling after the price fell

through the \$460 " psychological

barrier" overnight in New York. The strong dollar and high United States interest

rates have made gold expensive.

14p to 216p 10p to 353p 11p to 54p-

curtailed supplies from the

cartel to keep its prices down. North Sea oil price to Saudi crude on the spot mar- age of \$36 a barrel.

EEC industry ministers have agreed on a new set of rules will control the production of intended to help pull the Euro-pean steel industry out of its present crisis.

After 12 hours of negotiation, After 12 hours of negotiation, and wire rod. The latter products and wire rod.

under control... In return for obtaining West German approval, the other nine member states agreed to a specific timetable for what one official described as "subsidy disarmament." It was agreed that virtually all aids should cease by the end of 1985.

The package has significant implications for the British steel industry, particularly since Mr. Ian MacGregor, British Steel's chairman is scheduled to complete his interim review of the corporarion's corporate plan next month Improvement in prices and in demand is vital to avert further retrenchment:

Mr Norman Tebbit, industry minister, speaking in London after his return from the falks, was enthusiastic about the success of the EEC meeting. British Steel's chances of survival, he said; had been boosted by the agreements reached: Last year, the corporation received f1,100m of government finance to cover losses

member states agreeing to cut state subsidies to their own industries. Boun believed that the proliferation of subsidies in Europe helped to keep prices and redundancies.

The significance (of the generally efficient West German industry into making heavy losses.

For the next 12 months, production in the European steel industry will be governed by a mixed system of compulsory quotas set by the EEC Commission and a voluntary restraint pact worked out among the steel producers themselves.

The ministers agreed to subject the output of reinforcing bars and merchant bars to mandatory quotas. At a meeting earlier this month, it was agreed that production of coils should also be controlled by the Commission. As a result, about 55 per cent of EEC steel output, will still be subject to quots; the end of December 1985.

Surprise Saudi move

Saudi Arabia will cut its oil rels a day would not wipe out-production by 450,000 barrels a the world oil surples, now run-day from July 1, according to oil ning at 2 to 3 million barrels

above demand.

Observers believe the Sandi curback will encourage the

hardliners in the Opec to con-

timue to resist pressure to lower their prices. Countries such as Libya; Nigeria and Algeria, which are selling oil at the world's highest prices of between \$40 and \$41 a barrel, have held fast to far assured trimming their prices.

against trimming their prices. Instead, they have opted to reduce their production as

The price cutting momentum

was evident on Wednesday when Norway, in a widely anticipated move, reduced its North Sea oil price to an aver-

buyers have walked away.

to cut oil production

#### Coal set to reach new export record

By Peter Hill Industrial Editor

Coal exports this year are

in four years' time.

Sir Derek Erra, The National Coal Board's chairman, forecast yesterday that the boom in coal exports, which is helping to reduce the 22m tonnes of coal shelf in stockniles at of coal held in stockpiles at Britain's pits, would generate fpreign currency earnings totalling an estimated £300m this year.

Improved export shipments have been boosted by problems in the Polish coal industry and industrial problems in Austra-lia and the United States, both major coal-exporting nations. The NCB, which last week received a £300m additional Government subsidy in the wake of the turestened miners strike last February, has been stepping up its export sales drive. The major customers for British coal are in Western Europe and include West Germany, France, Denmark and Finland, although France, beautiful for France, beautiful from F

although East European countries are also developing their purchases of British coal.

If the export sales targets for this year are "realized," they would represent a doubling of export cargoes from last year's levels, when almost 5m tomes of coal and 650,000 tonnes of coke were exported by the NCB,

# **SEAGRAM**

Correspondent

The Seagram Company of Monireal today offered \$13 per common share of the Conoca Oil Company in a bid worth almost \$2,550m (fl.248m). The Canadian company has set a deadline of July 24 for 18 offer It intends to acquire 35 million Conoco shares.

ket, where oil is sold to the ... In Kuwsit, the country's oil highest bidder, has fallen by minister, Shaikh Ali Khalifa about 50 cents below the official Al-Sabah, was quoted yesterday selling price of \$32 per barrel, as saying there would be no Experts said, however, a Saudi reduction in Kuwsit's crude oil If Conoco and City Service merga they will form America's seventh largest oil company with annual sales of about \$26,000m.

#### CONOCO By Our US Economics Washington, June 25

Trading in Conoco shares on the New York Stock Exchange was halted today, but not because of the Seagram plans. Conoco and the City Service Company of Oklahoma had indicated to the exphange that; they were likely to make a joint announcement. The Seagram announcement, however, resulted in Conoco and City Service postponing their state-

#### Bemrose the printers to merge with BPC

Times Newspapers Limited and News International Limited, and Mr Robert Max-well, Chief Executive of British Printing Corporation, announce that they bave resolved on a mutually satisfactory basis the long-standing dispute relating to the printing of the Sunday Times Colour Magazine at Sun Printers, Watford, a subsidiary of BPC.

Times Colour Magazine will be printed at Sun until 1987. Mr Murdoch and Mr Maxwell have also agreed to the merger of Eric Bemrose Limited, gravure printers of Liverpool, a subsidiary of News International Limited, into the British Gravure Corporation, a new BPC subsidiary incor-

The result is that the Sunday

Mr Rupert Murdoch, Chair- This will enable the British Gravure Corporation to recap-ture a substantial share of the international market which has been lost by Britain's gravure printers during the past 20

Mr Bruce Matthews, Chairman of Bemrose and Deputy Managing Director of News International Limited, will join the board of Bratish Gravure. Corporation as non-executive

Mr Roy Hodgson will become Chairman of Eric Bemrose Continued employment at

Bemrose, Liverpool, is assured and is backed by an agreement print on commercial terms SUN DAY, the new colour sup-plement of the News of the World, scheduled to appear in new BPC subsidiary incorplement of the News of porating Sun Limited of Wat World, scheduled to apperford and Purnells of Paulton. September of this year. Law decides what's in a name Cable and Wireless competes with Telecom

# Inter-city on the thin glass line

The State-owned telecommunications company Cable & Wireless, in partnership with British Petroleum and Barclays Merchant Bank, has applied to the Government for a licence to operate what could be the biggest digital network using optical fibres in Europe.

The licence to operate such a network can be granted by Sir Keith Joseph, Industry Sectetary, after the Telecommunications Bill receives Royal Assent at the end of this parliamentary session.

The network's optical fibre cables are made of glass strands as thin as human hair and carry light pulses representing pieces of information. Millions can be transmitted in seconds.

Between 1000 and 1300 kilometres of this cabling will be laid along British Rail tracks over, the next two years, link-

over the next two years, linking the main business centres of the UK. The consortium, which is 40 per cent owned by Cable &. Wireless, 40 per cent by British Petroleum and 20 per cent by Barclays Merchant Bank,

by all governments, despite some countries being severely affected by recession. The White House is confident that most governments will accept

Dr - Beryl Sprinkel , who - is

undersecretary at the freasury for monetary affairs and as

for monetary affairs and as such one of the prime architects of United States international economic policy, said the administration appreciated that numerous governments; including Britain's, were now "at the point where the temptation to int the throttle is epormous."

He said it looked now as If the United Kingdom had hir the trough of its recession and it was essential that anti-inflation

was essential that anti-inflation policies continued. He hoped the British Government could find

House would not initiate major reforms of the monetary system

reforms of the monetary system though the International Monetary Fund. In his opinion, forceful promotion of the Special Drawing Right as the central unit of the monetary system was no more than an effort to "cut the dollar down to size", which has Beagan administration

the Reagan administration

opposes.
"The single most important thing we can do for the monetary system is restore the stability of the dollar," he said. The dollar should become again

the most favoured reserve cur-rency—this role forced mone-

tary discipline upon American authorities.

this view.



has allocated £50m capital to fund the initial phase of the

The cables will link rail terminals in all the major cities.
The data and the voices carried on the cable will be transmitted by microwave radio to a high rise building in each city and from there to the business becares.

The system designed is the result of a survey conducted by Cable & Wireless among a selection of the top 1,000 com-



panies in the United Kingdom. A second study now under way will include a more detailed

Examination of Scotland.

The grauting of the licence by the Government will depend on it implementing the conclusions of a report on how the private sector could compete with British Telecom in providing telecommunications services, compiled by Professor Michael Beesley of the London Business School.

British Telecom has sub-

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services.

British Telecom has warned that if the private sector is allowed to cream off the profits needed by the corporation to fund less commercial services then telephone tariffs would inevitably rise.

Cable & Wireless believes that there is sufficient commercial potential to support both.

that there is sufficient commercial potential to support both systems. Initially the C & W consortium will be using its own network.

The digital nature of the network and the speed by which it carries data will allow easy communication between computers. On a single strand of fibre devoted to voice about 2,000 telephone circuits can be

mitted its objections to the conclusions of the Beesley report, which were largely in favour of the private sector

being able to provide such

accommodated. The passage of the Telecom-munications Bill will also allow the Government to sell Cable & Wireless.

Quick win

for House

Lourho, the international trading group headed by Mr "Tiny" Rowland backed away from a confrontation with the new management of the House of Fraser in Glasgow resterday.

yesterday. The annual meeting of the

of Fraser



Sitting safely: Mr Tennant in the cartridge packing department.

process.

Mr Robert Tennant, managing director of Eley, said yesterday: "It takes most of the danger

out of the production of this most explosive element. Its im-

plications are so wide-ranging that HM Factory Inspectorate is permitting us to reduce the

size of the open spaces we have

to maintain around explosive

"We shall be able to vacate

36 acres of very valuable land—about half our total site area.
Our parent, IMI, is proposing to

develop this land for other

He said the breakthrough did

He said the breakthrough did not result directly from the ex-plosion which devastated an Eley ammunitien bay in 1973, killing six workers. "It would be fair to say, however, that it concentrated our minds on development already under

way."

Eley has already designed machinery

new automated machinery which has been manufactured

by an outside contractor and is now being installed.

#### Cartridge makers to **US-stands** firm against share safety process the IMI company inflation which can be inserted with fully automated methods and is activated only when a drop of water is added at the end of the

which is Butain's largest manufacturer of sporting and military ammunision. has made a remarkable breakthrough in improving the safety and automation of the notoriously dangerous production of priming caps. It gives the Birmingham company a considerable edge in the price war it has been waging From Frank Vogl Washington, June 25 The Reagan administration will neither delay planned tax will neither delay planned tax one nor relax tight moverary policies because of European complaints about high Ameriprice war it has been waging erament official said today.

The President will urge industrial leaders at next for the past two years to recover home and export mar-kets lost to theap foreign ammontage. month's economic summit in Ottown that firm anti-inflation policies should be maintained

But the safety implications are so wide-ranging that Eley has decided to forego the full commercial advantages to share the new process with rivals.

Remington and First Federal,
the United States companies

who, along with Winchester, are the world's big three are already negotiating licensing deals. European companies are also pressing for details.

The insertion of a small amount of extremely volatile explosive mixture into the firing cap has always been the weak link in ammunition manufacture. It, regularly claims victims among workers, and attempts to improve safety have resulted in laborious hand-production techniques.

**BSR** raises stake in Far East

British Government could find ways to cut public spending and implement supply-side, or incentive tax cuts. Despite criticism from abroad, he pointed out: "None of our industrial partners is urging us to ease our monetary policies."

Outlining the administration's relabel monetary Outlining the administration's policies on global monetary reform, development aid and interest rates, Dr Sprinkel predicted that inflation in most industrial countries would continue to fall, As for the United States, he believed a 5 per cent BSR, the audio and elecinflation tate by 1984 is real-listic, and substantial improve-ment on inflation was likely. Dr Sprinkel said the White

The purchase will be made by issuing 26m shares in BSR. at 50p each, and it values the 44 per cent in Astec at HK\$50 (£4.59) a share. A total of 29m Astec shares is being bought. Under the agreement, the ven-dors of Astec will hold 9.56m Shares for at least a year, while the rest will be bought at 50p

Mr John Ferguson, BSR's chairman, said that BSR was

Astec in 1979, and raised its stake to 54 per cent last year. Astec's pretax profits have grown rapidly from HK\$1.8m in 1977 to HK\$17m in 1980. The tompany forecasts at least HK\$48m (£4.4m) this year.

BSR will set up a new management board for its Far Fast elegronics division.

The annual meeting of the department store company that owns Harrods ended without trouble in exactly 29 minutes. Professor Roland Smith, who became chairman when Sir Hugh Fraser was ousted last January, was reelected although a Lonrho director among the shareholders stood up and said they would abstain in the voting for him. This brought the professor's proxy votes down to 68 million but there was a massive majority for him among share-

holders at the meeting Pro-lessor Smith and Mr E. H. Sharp, deputy chairman, were among six directors who appeared for reelection. In his speech, Profesor Smith

declined to say anything about the events of the past 12 months. He pointed out that sales in the company, were rising, efficiency had increased and House of Fraser stores commanded 30 per cent of all total departmental store sales in the United Kingdom. The market share was well ahead of any other UK store.

The meeting was a clear success for Professor Smith and his colleagues, who had mounted a strong campaign to raise enough support making it impossible for Mr Rowland and Sir Hugh Fraser to remove the new management.

It was also clear that Mr Rowland and Lonrho were un-

willing to rock the boat with the investigation by the Monopolies Commission into their £158m bid for the House of Fraser in its last stages. The report from the commission is reported in August Mr. Page expected in August. Mr Row-land was also reelected to the board. Others returned were Lord Duncan Sandys, Mr. N. H. Powell and Mr A. P. Humphries.

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tronics group which last year lost £17.7m, is to pay £13m for the minority it does not control in Astec, a Hongkong elec-tronics company. The move is part of BSRs strategy to diver-sify away from consumer elec-tronics and shift its profit centre to the Far East.

each from them by Morgan Grenfell the merchant bankers, and placed in the market.

buying earnings in a new and rapidly expanding industry. Astec manufacturers and distributes electronic components sub-systems and micro-processor software. Its sales are predominantly to the American computer industry.

Astec employs 3,000 people, mostly in factories in Hongkong, the Philippines, and Malaysia. Its business is complementary to Capetronic, another Far East electronics company, which Aster bought earlier this year for £2.7m. These will form the basis of a new Far East electronics división.

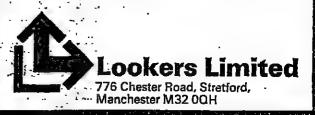
BSR bought 20 per cent of Astec in 1979, and raised its

#### **Lookers Limited**

Motor distributors and engineers Agricultural machinery dealers Vehicle delivery Contract hire and leasing

Interim results for the half-year ended 31st March 1981 (unaudited) £000

TURNOVER. 35,253 PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION INTERIM DIVIDEND MAINTAINED AT SAME LEVEL



#### HARTWELLS GROUP LIMITED

Cars, Commercial Vehicle and Bulk Fuel Oil

by the state of th	<b>SELAICE:</b>
Year ended 28th February Turnover	1981 £000's _152,232
Profit before Interest & Taxation Less Interest & Stock Finance Charges	2,768 1,264
	1,504
Dividends Retained Profit	636 992
Earnings per Ordinary Share Dividends per Ordinary Share Net Asset Value per Ordinary Share *Dividend material despite a difficult	13.7p 5.3p 187.8p

\*Dividend maintained despite a difficult trading year.

\*The Chairman in his statement to-shareholders stated:—

\*March and April 1981 showed better profits than March and \*March and April 1981 snowed better profits than March and April 1980.

\*It is hoped that the worst is passed and that better results will be achieved in the year to 28th February 1982.

Annual General Meeting—Oxford 3rd July, 1981. Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from The Secretary, Hartwells Group Limited, Seacourt Tower, West Way, Oxford OXY of the

PRICE CHANGES

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#### Shell Sp. to 356p Standard Tel 10p to 504p Telephone Rent 5p to 363p Textured Jersey 5p to 123p Unitech 15p to 248p 3 p to 43p 30p to 803p 10p to 509p 16p to 399p

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It will be included in an annex to the Companies (No 2) Bill which is being considered in committee in the Commons. The legislation virtually abolishes the preregistration vetting of company names and provides for the closure of the Registry

# By Richard Evans, Parliamentary Staff The Department of Trade. A similar list to the one publineeded before a company could vesterday produced a list of lished yesterday has been used register using words which over 100 names and sensitive in the past as a guide in pre-implied national or multi-

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BSR will set up a management board for it East electronics division.

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> tative status. Companies will need the government department or pro- Secretary of State's consent for

#### \$1,550m coal fuel project scrapped

An international \$1,550m (£767m) synthetic fuel project, which was a cornerstone of the Carter administration's energy package, has been dropped. -

The plant, which was to have been built in West Virginia, in the United States, was suppor-ted by West Germany and Japan whose governments were each to provide 25 per cent of the costs. The plant was to have converted 6,000 tons a day of high sulphur coal into 20,000 barrels of oil and gas.

No funds have been allocated for the plant in the 1982 budget, which is now before Congress, and the Germans and Japanese were faced with funding the

After two days of meetings in Bonn, the partners decided there was little that could be done other than scrap the project, on which about \$135m has already been spent.

The ending of such a prestige

international development serves to underline the switch in philosophy since President Reagan came to power. The new administration believes that, if the private sector is left to get on with it, the potential energy shortage faced by the United States will solve

#### Oil imports fall

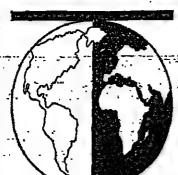
West German crude oil imports fell to 6.53m tonnes in May from 6.78m in April, the Federal Office for Trade and Industry, said. This brought the total for the first five months of the year to 34.20m tonnes, down 18.9 per cent from 42.14m tonnes in the same period.

#### Indonesian contracts

Indonesian companies have won three new construction contracts in Saudi Arabia valued at £150m. The contracts are for an airport, a military airbase and a housing complex.

#### Steel output hit

Australia's only raw steel manufacturer, the Broken Hill Pty Co said May steel output was 667,000 tonnes against 670,000 in April BHP said out-



put was affected by industrial action at two centres.

#### Caribbean aid plea

The Prime Ministers Dominica, St Lucia and St Kitts-Nevis, all facing serious problems of underdevelopment, have called on the United assistance programme for the Caribbean. Prime Minister Winston Cenak of St Lucia called the Caribbean the "soft underhelly of America. It is my firm belief that the United States has not given us assist-ance to the extent that it can ".

#### Chinese credits

A report that the Japanese, government will offer credits totalling Yn200,000m (£440m) to China to help it continue building a steel mill near Shanghai and a petrochemical complex has been called premature, but a further Yn100,000m of private funds will be supplied to China for the same purpose.

The Australian Governmen

#### Australia coal move

the Australian Government has approved a new ownership formula for the Blair Athol steam coal project in Queensland under which the Rio Tinto Zinc subsidiary CRA, which owns 62 per cent of Blair Athol, and the Atlantic Richfield group of the United States which has 38 per cent, will sell which has 38 per cent, will sell 24.39 per cent of the project to Australian investors to raise the domestic stake to 50 per

# to clean up Italian banking

From John Earle

Italian banks are to be for trainan banks are to be for-bidden to have holdings in finance or holding companies abroad, under a circular which is being distributed to them by the Bank of Italy.

The circular is reported to

lay down that, in future, banks will only be allowed to have branches or representative offices in foreign countries, including offshore centres.

The circular, which has not been published, is also understood to set out clearly the limits on bank ownership of shares in domestic companies. It is seen as a move by Signor Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, the governor of the bank, and the

Government to clean up the more obscure side of Italian banking activities. In the last decade, Italian banking has been affected by a series of scandals, of which the collapse of the Sindona empire in the mid-1970s was the most promin-

Under a regulation of 1947, the Bank of Italy has respon sibility for supervision over the functioning of banks, with a special section for this purpose. But in investigating cases, its inspectors have often found the way barred by anonymous com-panies in Switzerland, Lichtenpanies in Swizzerland, Inchren-stein, Luxembourg or elsewhere, from whom they are unable to obtain information. Foreign branches or representatives offices of an Italian bank are able, however, to offer no such barrier.

Finance companies abroad have also been used to evade foreign exchange regulations, on which Italian law has been tightened in recent years. In the trial under way of Signor Roberto Calvi of Banco Abrosiano on charges of exporting foreign currency, evidence has been given to the court of dealings with anonymous companies in Lichtenstein and Panama.

# New moves | Closure warning by Mersey docks chairman

Company, in a blunt message to the annual general meeting in Liverpool yesterday, warned that, if the company continued running at a loss and got no further financial help from the Government, it would have to

cease trading. Fewer than 100 stockholders were present at the 30-minute meeting. Only six voted in favour but none against the report and accounts for 1980. These showed an overall loss on the year of £6.25m, much of it due to redundancy and fallback payments. Sir John said the company

was continuing to receive limited assistance from the Government in the form of repayable grants, but there had been no continuing commitment.

The possibility of sympathetic consideration to their request

Sir John Page, chairman of siderably lessened by the series, the Mersey Docks and Harbour of four one-day token strikes over current deadlocked pay negoriations for 3,500 Merseyside dockers. The employers are insisting that any increase must be accompanied by changes in work practices, and the shop stewards are demanding an un-conditional rise.

Talks between the port employers and the transport day. Sir John commented : difficult to understand the sentatives, which is not only short-sighted but leads to harmful results for everybody. I only hope good sense will soon

had to submit a corporate plan to the Government early in August covering all possibilities over the next three to four

#### Scots electricity boards return combined profits of £28m

North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board reported a net

profit for last year of £11.2m, equivalent to 4.6 per cent of

The improved performance

was achieved despite a reduc-tion in sales which fell by 2.3 per cent. The board earlier this

year instituted legal proceedings against the British Aluminium

Company which is disputing

certain capital and revenue charges under the terms of a

contract to supply electricity to the company's smelter at Inver-gordon. The total sum involved

trading income.

Scotland's two electricity authorities yesterday announced combined profits of almost £28m for last year. But the South of Scotland Electricity quence have to be based on a Board said that its general rebroad updating of forecasts serve was inadequate to cope prepared more than a year with the scale of its operations, and it attacked the Government's control of its financing. before the year covered by the Its northern counterpart, the

The SSER had an operating surplus last year of - £87.9m which was reduced to £16.5m after interest payments total-ling £71.4m. It warned that at the end of its financial year in March, its general reserve amounted to only £69.4m, equivalent to less than six weeks' turnover, which was considered inadequate for the scale

of its operations. Because of a better than-anticipated performance and measures to contain costs and defer capital expenditure, the SSEB managed to remain well inside its external financing limit of £73m last year.

In the current financial year the Government has set the board a limit of £77m, but the SSEB said: "In the board's view the external financing of financing costs, also not yet limits set by the Government reimbursed. in the autumn of each year are fixed too early, and in conse-

In its report, the SSEB noted that almost 30 per cent of elec-tricity produced in Scotland was now generated by nuclear stations. The commissioning of

the Torness nuclear power station would lead to very substantial savings in overall costs. The SEEB estimates that total generating costs for new power stations in the later years of this decade would be about 2.57p per decade would be about 2.57p per unit for nuclear stations and 4.07p per unit for coal-fired plants. This compares with current costs of 2.18 per unit for coal and oil-fired stations, and 1.88 per unit for nuclear

The board's 1.5 million domes tic consumers in this area from the Solway to the Tay—get their electricity up to 15 per cent cheaper than elsewhere in the United Kinugdom because 30 per cent of the supply is

The board's deputy chairm

now amounts to £48m, including £32m of payments withheld by British Aluminium, together with £8.4m of smelter deficits not yet reimbursed by the Government and a further f8m

Mr Donald Miller, said that Scotland generated more nuc-lear electricity than almost any other country in the world.

#### Business appointments

#### Merchant banker returns

ing to Morgan Grenfell as head H. I. Whitaker as vice-chairmen of the corporate finance depart. Mr R. P. Hornby, who has been committee after completing his term of office as director gene-ral of the Takeover Panel. Sir Arthur, Knight is to Join the board of Dunlop Holdings.

Mr T. A. Harrison is to be-come president of British Importers Confederation.

Major Michael G Wyatt has been made a director of the British & Commonwealth Ship-

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Over 60% of British Sugar's shares could be put on the

would be unlikely to want to retain a minority holding.

ping Company.
Sir Raymond Potter has been reappointed chairman of the Halifax Building Society and

ment and a member of the mer- a director since 1976, will be chant bank's management come an additional vice committee after completing his chairman, Mr J. O. Spalding term of office as director gene has been made deputy thief Mr. John Herrin has become chairman of the Electronic Com-

ponents Industry Federation. ponents Industry Federation.

Mr E. B. Shanahan, company secretary of A. R. Mowbray & Co, has been made a director.

Mr A. H. Brown is to be president of the Concrete Society for 1981-82.

Mr John McNab has been reelected chairman of the London Port Employers' Asso-

been re-elected vice-chairman. Mr Brian Longbottom has been appointed to the main board of the Huntleigh Group. · Mr Peter Reay has been made group personnel director of Cadbury Schweppes.

Ms Sue Pullan will be joining the board of the New Oppartunity Press as publishing

Mr David Mowl has been made production director of Drewery and Edwards, a sub-sidiary of Reliance Knitwear

Group.

Mr Richard J. Trew has been speciated to the board of

#### **India** aims to narrow trade gap

India will reimpose import restrictions if it fails to narrow its trade gap with Britain within three years, a representative of the Association of Indian Engineering Industry said in London yesterday.

Mr Rahul Bajaj, a past presi-dent of the association, said:

I believe the trade gap will be bigger this year, and possibly in 1982. But by 1983/84, the in 1982. But by 1983/84, the gap will narrow as we increase our exports. If this does not take place, it will be difficult for Indian industry to coming with its liberal import policy." Last year Britain's exports to India totalled £530m, a rapid rise since 1977 when the figure was £278m. Imports of Indian goods totalled £316m.

Mr Bajal was speaking on the

Mr Bajaj was speaking on the third visit to Britain by the ATEI in successive years.

#### Tape levy proposals rejected

Proposals for a levy on blank audio tapes, possibly doubling their price, were dismissed as unpractical, unworkable and unfair yesterday by the United Kingdom's six main suppliers of blank capes which have just formed the Tape Manufacturers' Group to concert their cam-

A Government Green Paper on copyright law, in which the levy proposal is expected to be sixed as one way of recompensmg record companies and per-formers for claimed losses brough the growing practice of home taping, is due out shortly

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The record companies through their trade body, the British Phonographic Industry, are backing the levy proposal be-cause of claimed losses of fim

#### Redland down 18pc after fall overseas

Sharply lower overseas business volumes, the overall demand for Redland's building drop; was held at 64 per cent. material products threw the group into feverse in the year to March, and the board sees no prospect of recovery this

year.

Pretax profits fell by 18 per cent to £46.8m on sales just 4 per cent ahead at £515m. But. the final gross dividend was, lifted to 6.67p; making a total for the year of 10.48p, a 10 per cent increase. The group's shares, however, were un-changed at 174p.

profits — particularly German roofing tile company, Braas, and from con-struction activities in the United States—came as a severe setstates—came as a severe ser-back since traditionally they contribute 70 per cent of pro-fits. But despite a 15 to 20 per cent fall in United Kingdom drop; was held at 61 per cent, helped by better prices and product mixes. This is considered reasonable

at a time when house building is at its lowest level since the war. Redland's three main interests—aggregates, clay facing bricks and concrete roofing tiles -withstood the recession, but its concrete and glass-reinforced pipe activities are losing money heavily. Only four factories remain; some 700 staff have lost their jobs over two years and the group is closing another

plant.
The downturn overseas was a result of high interest rates in both the United States and Germany, which inhibited building programmes, and no recovery is expected this year. Profits from 'Australia expanded how-

#### Renold slumps to £2.9m

maker of power transmission and mechanical bandling equip-ment, still bears heavy scars of its rationalization programme and the recession, with pretax profits down to £2.9m in the year to March 1981 compared with £6.2m last time. Sales rose marginally by £3.7m to

The final dividend is passed, leaving the year's payment at 2.86p gross against 11.43p. The shares slid 14p to 51p, just 4p from the year's low.

Trading profits, 19 per cent lower at £8.4m, show an improvement in overseas results but this is more than offset by lower profits in the United Kingdom, But the real United Kingdom, But the real blow came from higher interest charges at £5.4m against £4.1m, reflecting increased borrowings. Depreciation charges took £3.74m. The value of stocks over the period is just over £1m lower at £69.9m.

Mr Leslie Tolley, chairman, said that the group had suffered during the year, particularly in the second-half, from the deepest recession since the war. But results are considered reasonable, and rationalization about increase the urnur's should increase the group's strength in the long-term. Omitting the dividend, he said, was aimed at conserving cash.

#### Setback at Baker Perkins

By Catherine Gunn
A depressed United Kingdom market, high sterling, and
a strike in the United States combined to leave Baker Perkins with a substantial fall in pretax profits for the year to March 31, from E6.5m to E2.1m. Sir. Franklin Braithwaite, chairman, expects a progressive recovery in profits in 1981-82 and

The final dividend has been cut by 31 per cent bringing the total down from 9.2p gross to 7.28p. The shares fell 2p to 28p yesterday.

The group, which makes machinery for the food, chemical and printing industries, and exports 55 per cent of its British production, lost £1.76m in the first part of the year, During the second half, it worked to restrict losses, and reduced net debt to £12.6m by the year-end. At the end of 1979-80, net debt was £13.5m.

Redundancy and costs last year totalled £1.03m, and came out of the trading profit of £5.16m, down from E8.75m. Interest costs for the year leapt from £946,000 to £2.29m, Baker Perkins's British com-

panies' profits fell from £4.58m to just £433,000, while overseas companies made £4.72m, against. £4.17m.,

#### Henlys plunges into loss

Car dealer Henlys, which dis-tributes the BL, Ford, Renault and Talbot ranges, plunged from a pretax profit of £438,000 last time to a pretax loss of £666,000 in the six months to March 31. The outlook for the second half is better, but Mr G. R. Chandler, the chairman, is not prepared to forecast a pro-fit for the full year at this

stage. The interim dividend has been held at 4.29p gross and is not covered. The shares gave up 3p to 83p yesterday. Group sales were £96.8m against £95.1m, the number of vehicles sold was little changed from last year, but margins

were considerably lower as overstocked car dealers slashed

stocking is now over, and Mr Chandler says that margins are looking firmer. Lower stocks will mean lower borrowings and interest costs in

vehicles. The worst of the de-

the second half. Henlys has also applied the £1.7m gross pro-ceeds of property sales to cut-ting debt. Overall, debt has fallen by £3.5m since the year end. Interest costs in the first half were £1.46m, against £1.44m

An extraordinary item of £819,000 is credited from the property sales after writing off the cost of Henlys' new mini computer system. This system comes on stream on July 1 and should bring considerable sav

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#### BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

# **ACC** mortgages the future

Associated Communications Corporation has taken suitably drastic action to offset losses of £26.4m in feature films. It has sold for £23m its forward television contracts to American banks, thus calling in its future cash flow to repay the massive damage which would otherwise have been inflicted on a balance sheet, already ill-prepared for further ravages. With the sale of Ansafone, this has cut net borrowings from £74.9m to £40.7m and a revaluation surplus of £23m should mean that the balance sheet will look relatively, healthy considering the trauma from which ACC now has to recover.

But the convalescence could be slow and

painful. While it is clear that the feature film horrors are probably over with these figures and records and tapes, which lost £4.7m, have been effectively rationalized, the remainder hardly presents an exciting earnings prospect. Television, up from £3.9m to £4.8m last year, is running into the same profitability problems as the other contractors compounded by the need to cut the stake in ATV to 51 per cent as well as the contribution to the start-up of Charles

4. Meanwhile, the mixed bag of other interests appears to be performing steadily enough, though these are far from large enough to take up the slack from the down-turn in the more spectacular ventures. So the recovery could be, at best, to around £8.5m pretax, which suggests that

the 11p fall in the share price yesterday to 47p may not be enough, given a fully-taxed prospective p/e ratio of almost 6 and the historic yield of 4.5 per cent after the passed final. On pure trading grounds the current price implies that ACC now has a firm base for recovery, otherwise there remains the speculative question mark over what Mr Robert Holmes a'Court now plans to do with his near-10 per cent stake.

#### Plessey

#### Glamour starts

at last

Plessey's rehabilitation looks complete and yesterday's results only disappointed the most optimistic. Although fourth-quarter profits were slightly down, this was mainly due to a bunching of deliveries in the wake of the engineering strike in the fourth quarter of 1979-80 and the year's outturnshowing a 41 per cent increase to £84.5m pretax—is much as expected.

retax—is much as expected.

The electronic systems division, which includes a lot of defence work, was the fastest growing area with operating profitmore than doubled to £22.5m and the only other surprise was the extent of the downturn in the cyclical components business with this division making a final-quarter loss of £1.6m. Otherwise telecommunica-tions; both public and private, continued to power ahead and aerospace and engineering managed a profit rise of a quarter to £15m, despite losses early in the year from hydraulics. Plessey's growing financial strength is also reflected in the profit rise with net interest payable down from £9.7m to £4.6m and the year-end balance sheet shows net cash of £8m and shareholders' funds of £298m.

£1,237m and worries about defence cuts now dispelled, Plessey looks set for profits approaching £100m this year, which suggests a prospective p/e ratio of about 174 with the shares down 10p to 322p yesterday. Yielding 3.4 per cent after the one-tenth dividend rise, and now with current cost cover, Plessey should still outperform the market.

#### Trusthouse Forte

#### Higher interest burden

The market may not have been all that impressed with THF's first-half figures—the shares fell 11p to 146p on news of the per cent pretax setback to £14m and signs that the full-year drop is going to be rather more severe than the previous yearbut the underlying trading performance outside the United States looks to have

stood up remarkably well compared with the results from other hotels groups.

The £1.2m fall to £25.3m in pre-interest profits is explained by the one-week shorter trading period and after a dreadful time over Christmas only a concerted attack on costs and aggressive marketing has helped insulate margins against declining occupancy rates both in London and, increasingly this year, the provinces as well. In contrast, the United States has been extremely tough with the recent Travelodge results down by a fifth, the loss of the Pierre contract, and the catering side is still turning in losses, although the weaker pound has helped profits in sterling terms.

The damage then has been done by the £4.1m jump to £11.3m in interest charges with THF embarking on an ambitious capital spending programme during the recession in the industry. With a good deal of its borrowings in dollars, high United States and Eurodollar rates will keep interest charges up even before the cost of the Savoy adventure is taken into account and the

full-year bill could be half as much again as last vear's £16m. The United States hotels business is now looking up and recent surgery should help the foods side as well, so trading profits for the full year should hold up reasonably well, although market hopes of a Royal Wedding boost at home look misplaced. But the interest charge could knock profits back to not much more than £60m against £66m, where the fully taxed price earnings ratio is 14. But THF is currently showing that hotels are not immune to recession and the Savoy arithmetic could put the expected recovery back until well into 1983, which is not the background for any rerating of the shares yet awhile whatever the group

is doing to get itself ship-shape for the next

 High-technology stocks are still high fushion. Charterhouse Japhet should have no trouble in getting Memec (Memory and Electronic Components) aways to a good premium. Wisely, Memec is not bothering with a stay enoug the small electronic fry in the unlisted securities market. It is going for a full offer for sale of 35 per cent of the equity. The decision is not cheap. Of the 3.75m shares for sale at 140p a share (where the yield would be 3.1 per cent and price earnings multiple on forecast earnings over 20), the balance of 700,000 shares will give Memec new permanent capital of a princely £650,000, after expenses of £330,000.

Memec claims to specialize in up-market components that confer high margins and avoid recession. Growth suddenly ballooned in the 18th months to December, 1979, when profits were £1.3m; in 1980 they were £1.43m; this year they should be at least

The leader in the electronics component business (the other quoted companies are Farnell, Diploma and Unitech is Electrocomponents. Pretax profits are up from £13.05m to £14.56m for the year to March. There is also to be a scrip issue of four-forone, which helped the shares gain 30p to

Recession continues, but Electrocomponents seems to know how to fight it, and inflation adjusted pretax profits of £12.54m indicate the sector's freedom from onerous depreciation and its powers to generate cash.

# Going

After the severe hammering it has taken in recent years, BSR is looking to the East for relief. The decision to buy sut the 46 percent minority in Aster for an issue of 26m shares worth £13m is an important step towards forming an almost wholly controlled Far East division which, it is hoped, will soon become BSR's major profit tentre. While the traditional record changer business will continue, it should be eclipsed by Astec's and Capetronic's sophisticated electronics.

The market had anticipated that BSR's difficulties could lead to a rights issue, but it came sooner than many expected. The clue seems to be Astec's remarkable profits growth: from HK\$1.8m in 1977 to HK\$1.7m last year and a forecast HK\$48m (£4.4m) for 1981. BSR's stake hed been built up at lower prices than the HK\$50 a share being paid for the minority and there was clearly a risk that with so steep a profits increase in prospect the share price would soar out of reach.

Given that BSR is buying earnings growth — which it certainly needs the 7.9 times multiple paid for Astec is not expensive. The share issue avoids adding to borrowings which have been tightly controlled at the last year-end figure of around £30m; Never theless, the f13m share issue is a hefty addition to BSR's total capitalization of

Much will depend on the quality of the enlarged group's new electronic products only a small proportion of which will go into record changers. Capetronic and Astec are closely linked to the American computer industry, and they have the great advantage of the Far East's low costs. But they are also in a field as competitive as the record changers on which BSR's earlier fortunes were based. Whatever happens to sterling this year, BSR's shareholders still face a bumpy ride.

## Frances Williams examines the balance of power between producers and consumers

# Battle that oil users cannot win

Saudi Arabia's decision to cut its oil production by 450,000

on world markets, generally out at 2 to 3 million barrels a day over requirements?

First reactions yesterday were that it does not. Saudi Arabia, it is thought, is making a pro-duction adjustment for internal reasons but still intends to keep

the producers and consumers are beginning to look a little more evenly matched

Sick of etonomic disruption from oil price shocks, fearful of political instability in producing areas and apprehensive about the economic and poli consequences of intensi-world-demand for oil in the future, consuming countries have been showing a deter-mination to cut oil use by all the means at their disposal. The result—helped along by

world recession, itself partly due to near-doubling of oil prices over the past two years—bas been a lower demand for all Producing countries are being forced to our back produc-tion or elash prices, moves which are costing them dear.

The industrialized countries,

and Opec too, are beginning to realize that a structural shift in evergy use is now taking place. Last year oil consumption in the main consuming countries, members of the International Energy Agency (IEA), fell by more than 7; per cent to 35; million barrels, a day (mbd). Further falls of 2 to 3 per cent are expected this year.

Nor were these cuts due wholly to world recession.

In Australia, whose gross

national product grew by a respectable 3 per cent last year, oil use dropped nearly 41 percent. Japan, with a growth rate of 4 per cent, cut oil demand by 10 per cent. And in the United States, the largest oil consumer of all, demand fell by more than 3 per cent in the first three months of this year desired.

three months of this year despite a growth rate of more than 8 per cent a year.

So far the consuming come France tries, fearful of complacency, Germinare insisted that the oil glass likely is strictly temporary. The survival is to the price could be wiped out over. UK hight by any escalation in the Australian Iran/Iran. War, Mr. David dapan Howell, the British Emergy Secretary pointed out at last OECO week's IRA meeting in Paris.

Saudi Arabia's decision to cut

The Western nations have
its oil production by 450,000
simply been thankful that the
barrels a day from July 1, has
sent the oil analysts scurrying
for their slide rules.

Does it mean that the end is
in sight for the present oil glint
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on world markets, generally put

The American Strategic Petroleum Reserve, through contracts and through dealings on the Rotterdam Spot Market, has duction adjustment for internal reasons but still intends to keep enough surplus oil flowing on to world markets to force a mors unified price structure on the other nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec).

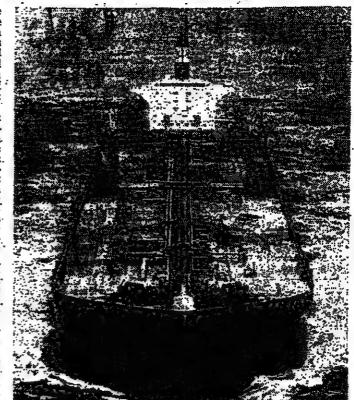
For most of the 1970s the balance of power in the oil struggle was firmly with the producers and even Saudi do little to alter it. But now the producers and consumers stored in 20 supertankers float-

Japan now has about 7 days worth of imports in government stuckpiles, (in addition to the 90 days held by companies), stored in 20 supertankers floating in territorial waters, and a long string of tankers slow-steaming their way from the Middle East oilfields.

If the consuming countries are determined to treat the oilglut as a mere breathing space. the producing countries seem less sure. Senor Humberto Cal-derton-Berti, the Venezuelan oil minister and Opec moderate, calling for a two to three year Opec price freeze, warned last week that conservation and substitution measures by consuming countries pointed to reduced demand for oil, glurted markets and falling prices "for an extended period". Nothing which Saudi Arabia has done this week has changed that

The Saudi's, whose heavy crude costs \$32 a barrel, remain determined to force producers of high-priced crudes to but their prices.

Spot prices have fallen by several dollars below official posted prices of around \$40\$41 a barrel; forcing producers to accept lower contract prices from companies threatening to go elsewhere.



A giant oil tanker under way: many are now anchored and being used as oil stores.

demand then several producers have hard decisions to make. The Nigerian Government, for instance; stands to lose \$2,500m, equivalent to 10 per cent of its budgeted revenues this year, if present a shorrfalls continue. This would force it to dip into scarce reserves to pay for much scarce reserves to pay for much needed imports (including food) or to go cap in hand to foreign bankers. Venezuela, Libya and Mexico are said to be in similar

But chese tactical advances for consuming nations have been somewhat lost on the average oil user. In the week that the British National Oil go elsewhere.

Mexico has already cut its posted price by \$4 a barrel; that the price of North Sea posted price by \$4 a barrel; that the price of North Sea crude would be cut by \$4.25 a barrel to \$35, prices at the period pump in towns and cities throughout britain jumped by and the Saudi production cuts do nothing to alter the basic price of four-star to around inbalance between supply and 156p a gallon.

Corporation (BNOC) announced June, while Danish Industry is now paying 55 per cent more for heavy oil than it was a year better the basic price of four-star to around inbalance between supply and 156p a gallon.

Nor is this simply a perverse British phenomenon. In France petrol prices rose by 4 per cent on June 11, following an in-crease in March, and further in-creases are likely soon. West German prices have risen nearly ternan prices have risen nearly because of higher taxes imposed in April. Petrol prices in Japan increased by more than 7 per cent in May. Over the past six months pump prices in most industrialized countries have jumped by between 10 and 15 per cent.

Industrial users of heavy-oilshave fared even worse. In Italy, for example, the price of heavy oil went up by 21 per cent in June, while Danish industry is now paying 55 per cent more for heavy oil than it was a year

The first is that plummeting demand has intensified competition, forcing down prices below cost and squeezing oil companies' profits. So they are desperately attempting to re-store profitability by raising prices as far as they dare.

In Britain the immediate reason for this month's increase in petrol prices was the removal by the leading oil com-panies of special subsidies to panies of special subsidies to urban garages, used to wage an internecine price war in which the companies struggled to maintain sales in a declining market. Both BP and Shell are making losses on petrol and industrial fuel sales this year. So too are the big French and German oil concerns.

The second reason is the strength of the dollar, which strength of the dollar, which has risen by an average of 16 per cent against the world's leading currencies since the end of last year and about 25 per cent against European currencies. Since oil prices are denominated in dollars the cost of crude in local currencies has soared, overwhelming the effects of weaker dollar prices.

Sterling has fallen by 20 per cent against the dollar in the past six months, twice BNOC's announced price cut of around 11 per cent. The depreciation of the Deutsche mark (24 per cent), French franc (27 per cent) and lire (30 per cent) has sent their oil import bills rocketing.

Only in the United States, only in the United States, where currency factors obviously do not apply, have consumers had any real benefit from the oil glut. Petrol prices have dropped a few cents in recent months forced by intensified competition for sales. Heavy oil prices have sales. Heavy-oil prices have blunged by nearly a quarter. But these cuts go nowhere near reversing the rapid rises over the previous two years.

There is only one certainty the hard-pressed users can bank on, glut or no glut. Oil for them will continue getting more expensive. Because if the producers fail to push up prices by engineering another shortage, the consuming countries will do it for them as part of their continuing struggle to escape dependence on the oil cartel.

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# Technology

# How glass wire can help dig more coal

whose development owes much to the genius of two researchers working in Britain in the 1960s, but their exploitation has been dominated by the Japanese and

Americans Recent studies indicate that sbour a third of the optical fibre links that have been laid throughout the world are in Japan. America has about a quarter, closely followed by Canada, but Britain is still trail-

ng with about 2 per cent.
Optical fibres consist of glass strands the width of a human. hair, and capable of carrying light pulses representing in formation—at very high speeds. The light signals carried in these flexible cables are not distorted by electromagnetic interference and can be trans-mitted over large distances without the need for electronic

mission throughout the country.

But perhaps more unusual
are the National Coal Board's experiments with the tech-nology underground. The European Coal and Steel Com-munity is to give £100,000 to help fund research into optical fibre transmission of data in coal mines, between the cutting

machine at the coal face and the surface. It is believed that the transmission system if successful could boost coal production through the early diagnosis of faults developing in the cutting

machine. The United Kingdom already produces half the REC's mul coal output, amounting to 128,208,000 tonnes last year. The advantages of an optical

interference and can be transmitted over large distances without the need for electronic repeaters.

Two recent developments are helping to refocus attention on than conventional wires, but he technology in this country, is no risk of the sparks which the technology in this country, is no risk of the sparks which the proposed Cable & can occur with conventional wireless telecommunications wireless telecommunications are wire cables and which metwork anisomness of optical the light signal transmission

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distortion.

The NCB fibres use a binary "system" of communication the light is either "on" or "off"), like conventional data transmission, the light taking the place of an electric current. But the National Coal Board's research team ar Brethy in Derbyshire has some problems to sort out first. One is that the glass strand is very delicate and allows for only 1 or 2 per and allows for only 1 or 2 per cent stretching before it frac-tures or fails, compared with 20-30 per cent in conventional

Copper wires.

The researchers hope to relieve tension on the fibre by using clamps and closely fitting protective coverings around the fibres, of plastic, silicone, nylon and PVC. In a coal pit it is likely that steel armouring would also be needed. Another difficulty is in con-

necting the fibres underground.

searchers are testing a proto-type "expanded beam connec-tor". This widens the light beam to a diameter of 2 or 3 millimetres, so that a small piece of dirt would have less effect should it get in the way. In the connector the glass fibre is placed at the focus of a bi-convex lens and this produces a beam of parallel rays.
The beam passes through a glass window and is refocused through a second bi-convex lens

on to the connecting fibre. The window surfaces, which are the point where any dirt would collect, can also be

Repairing the fibres under-

Anne Warden and

#### Business Diary: Cool cinemas mean hot box office

It is the battle of the conglomerates in the American-cinema this week as Gulf Western's Paramount Pictures takes on Warner Brothers. The smash hit of all smash hits is smash hit of all smash hits is Warner's Superman Two, which in the three days since it opened has broken all. United States box office records—including Star Wars'—with gross receipts of \$14.1 million (about '7.8m).

But Paramount, too, is doing well. Its new film, Raiders of the Lost Ark, has achieved gross receipts in its first ten days of showing of 22.1m.

Paramount was afraid that
the opening of Superman Two
would knock the gloss off its

highly significant given the

ing the equation this past weekend". farce, which ranges from the search for the Ten Commandments to all manner of modern fantasies, 2nd is directed by Steven Spielberg (who also did Jaws and stars Harrison Ford Han Solo of the Star Wars' films. Superman Two, directed by Richard Lester, again stars Christopher Reeve and Gene

in a recession.

It helps, of course, that American schoolchildren have broken up for the summer and it is cooler inside the air-conditions. tioned cinemas than out on the street or at home. Agam Le Quesne new film. In a press statement that could have been written by a Dalek, it noted that receipts for its film of a3m the last few days and Mergers Commission since the end of 1975, is to stay but

this pace—and the evidence from Mann's Village Theatre in:

Los Angeles to Loew's Orpheum

Theater in New York City suggests that it will—then Wanner

stock is bound to do well.

Takeover bidding for film
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is bound to revive, bearing out

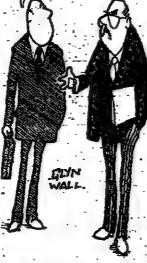
the old Wall Street maxim that entertainment stocks are good

the end of 1975, is to stay put new competitive product enter-ing the equation this past weekend."

for another five years.

The Commission has been beefed up under the Tories, The Superman Two m with some of its investigations completed much more quickly Raiders of the Lost Ark equa-tion is certainly profitable. than in the past. The Tories' Raiders of the Lost Ark is a new Competition Act has also taken Sir Godfray into the intricacies of the nationalized industries, notably electricity generation and water (and other legislation has meant in-

vestigations into part of the British Gas's activities and the postal service).



"I think we should light fire with fire on this closed shop issue. We should refuse to recognize a union unless the general secretary is a member of the institute of Directors."

The Commission is now working on its first company investigation under the Competition Act, sorting our whether TI Raleigh has been offending against the public interest by oy Richard Lester, again stars
The word is that at least one denying its cycle supplies to other public sector inquiry is cut-price retailers. But merger likely to be announced soon activity is snowballing and that it sales continue to move at by the Department of Trade.

the hop (five are being investi-like (£4,292m) planned. The gated).

Of half a dozen monopoly Golzio says, amounted to about inquiries, those on the poster. 100,000,000m like or more than industry and the North of a third of net national income. England's trading chaques sys Golzio is appealing for determ are nearing completion. filation before there are interesting social tensions.

Withdrawal symptoms 

But no more

Storm cones are being raised by Silvio Golzio, the 72-year old president of the Italian Ranking Association and former chairman of Credito Italiano. At the annual meeting of the association in Rome this week he expressed concern at the way banks are losing deposits, as business people and the profic prefer to put their money elsewhere—in the hourse (in a year firms have issued about 3000,000m limits) [£1,290m] of new shares), in commercial bills (about 1,300,000m line or £515m), but

above all in Treasury bonds.
This year, Golzio estimates. bank deposits will increase by. only a tenth when inflation is twice that.
On the other hand the government - the "so-called state banker" - last year issued no less than 25,500,000m lire (now £10,945m) of Treasury

bonds, against the 10,000,000m

Goldo is appealing for deflation before there are in-tolerable social tensions. He excused this unbankerly outburst by saying that he could not pass over in silence the sense of uncertainty and progressive deterioration in the general picture of economic activity

#### Vie British

The hunt is on at British Airways for items still bearing the legends "British European Airways" (BEA) and "British Overseas Airways Corporation" (BOAC), the two airlines which were merged to make British Airways nearly a decade ago. There are groups of em-ployees inside the airline who consider themselves still to be

BEA or EOAC men or women even after all these years. Items that have turned up so far include a notice saying BOAC stores " not a hundred yards away from BA's head office, toiler paper with BOAC stamped on every sheet BEA ashtrays in senior executives' offices and a BOAC mirror in a ladier loo in Comet House, another, BA office block at

Heathrow. Last year, of course, BA brought togetherness to a final pitch by dropping the "Airways" name on the side of its airliners and calling them simply "British".

#### Typeghast

I have been sent a very stroppy note by a typing agency in Liverpool which disapproves of the local government union

The agency says that it was sent a lenter by Nalgo—the National and Local Government Officers' Association—asking it not to handle work from Liverpool City Council, whose own typists were on strike. This request, the agency says, "was not on"

However, the next day, a Nalgo member visited the bureau and asked them to type a job application for him because the typing department was on strike.

"He was obviously annoyed that an industrial dispute pre-vented his private letters being typed in his employers time, resulting in him having to actually pay for his letters to be typed."

What you make of this depends, I suppose, on what you feel about unions. Some might say that having taken a client's money the agency should not talk about him to 2 third party. I will only say that the note from the agency contained in its eight lines one spelling and two grammatical mistakes.

Ross Davies

ground is also likely to be a problem, the researchers say. They envisage using adhesives, but are seeking a kind which does not need heat to cure it, as most epoxy resins do. One possibility is ultra-violet curable adhesive. adhesive.

Another approach is to use clamps instead of glue.

At present optical fibres are being tested for use between the cutting machine and the "gate end box" at the end of the coal face, connecting minicomputers but the ECSC funds are intended to help in the extension of data transmisthe extension of data transp sion from the coal face to the

Bill Johnstone

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**Group Turnover Group Trading Profit** Interest Charges

Group Profit **Before Taxation** 

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The Directors recommend a final dividend of 1.6875 pence per share, to be paid on 6 July, 1981.

The strong £ has had a very severe effect on the results for the year 1980, quite apart from the difficult trading conditions, especially in the UK. If the 1979 results were restated at the 1980 rates of exchange, they would show that Turnover has increased £60 million to £73 million and profits have declined from £7,778,000 to £6,547,000. The profits have also been affected by higher interest: charges which have increased from £1,082,000 to £1,901,000.

The year 1980 has been a very difficult year and your Directors, considering all the circumstances, are not dissatisfied with the results. Our European subsidiaries continue to make satisfactory progress and I am pleased to report that the UK company has returned to profitability. The year 1981 will not be an easy year but, barring unforeseen circumstances, the Directors are confident that it will show an acceptable improvement over 1980.

> Lee Cooper Group PLC manufacture and distribute trousers, jeans, skirts and casual wear.

#### FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

#### Mining puts Burnett & Hallamshire ahead

Mining, oil and property expect overseas profits to group Burnett & Hallamshire exceed those from the United Holdings, whose shares have been one of the best stock market performers in recent years, increased pretax profits from £7.3m to £12.5m in the year to March 31.

Mining's contribution jumped from £3.8m to £8.2m including a £2.3m exceptional profit from the sale of shares in Rand London Corporation. Oil was static at £2.1m and property rose from £1.4m to £2.2m.

Overseas operations contri-buted about £500,000 but are expected to increase substantially this year. Mr George Helsby, the chairman, said that in the long term he would

#### Bank Base Rates

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Barclays	12%
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Consolidated Crdts	12%
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The move overseas was the main feature of the year with the purchase of big coal reserves in Pennsylvania, property in Los Angeles and the first ever opencast coal mining operation in Belgium.

But the group managed to contain much of its total spending of £20m within cash flow. and gearing rose only from 9 per cent to 14 per cent, though netting out cash reduces the figure to zero. Capital employed jumped from £29m to £50m and assets per share by 36 per cent to 466p.

#### Wheat output estimate revised

The International Wheat Council has narrowed its esti-mate of world wheat production for the year beginning July 1 to between 460m and 470m tonnes from its previous esti-mate of 460m to 475m. This compares with an estimated output for 1980-81 of 444m

In its first estimate of 81-82 carryover stocks it proted they would range from m to 51m tonnes in the five incipal exporting countries ainst 43.4m tonnes in 1980-81. oviet imports in 1981-82 are imated at 12m to 14m tonnes ainst 15m in 1980-81. Chinese 11m to 13m against 13m and dian at 2m oils make headway

couraging performances in oils up to fa lighter.

Rumours of a cut in production of up to 450,000 barrels a day by Saudi Arabia found renewed support for most of the oil sector, with North Sea issues coming in for particular attention. However, the failure to deny or confirm the reports saw most prices close below

Leading industrials found little support with only Dunlep, 2p higher at 82p, resisting the trend as Far Eastern buyers opened positions ahead of local elections.

Elsewhere, ICI tumbled 6p to 284p, Beecham 5p to 217p, Glazo 4p to 362p, Unilever 5p to 575p. British Aerosnace 2p saw most prices close below their best.

their best.

Full-year figures from Plessey were the highlight of the day in electricals, but with the figures failing to live lo to expectations, the price plunged 10p to 322p. Only the publication of the defence cut proposals after hours, described as mildly bullish, kept prices from closing on the bottom in thin conditions.

conditions.

The rest of the equity market could only look on with the end of the account later today bringing out a few sellers, and the lack of new time buying leaving it devoid of encourage-

The FT Index, which had opened the day 1.0 higher, eventually closed at its low point for the day 3.6 off at

The weakness of sterling also produced a few small sellers But they were enough in number to push prices lower with jobbers reporting a complete lack of interest after Monday's strong surge on the pros-pect of cheaper United States

Leading industrials found

Stock markets

Only electricals and

Elsewhere, ICI tumbled bp to 284p, Beecham 5p to 217p, Glazo 4p to 362p, Unilever 5p to 575p, British Aerospace 2p to 226p and Hawker Siddeley 2p to 326p.

The steady flow of company news, combined with the thin conditions, kept electricals on

Note the recent strength Bejam, which has climbed 10p this week to close at 130p yesterday, helped by some fairly solid buying. Rumours suggest a possible bid from Associated

the move. Racal, still benefiting from recent figures, jumped 16p to 399p, but Ferranti lost 10p to 525p on its results.

Still reeling from heavy osses, no dividend and a rights issue, Chloride shed another 2p to 25p. Profit taking clipped 2p from Thora EMI at 398p, 2p from Thora EMI at 398p, after earlier comment on the video industry which added 2p apiece to Electronic Rentals at 114p and Granada at 245p. Reporting yesterday, Associated Communications "A" plunged 11p to 47p on the passed dividend, with Electrocomponents

End of account influences saw interest rates soon. In longs, adding 30p to 803p on trading prices drift steadily lower in thin trade yesterday despite enterported with shorts anything.

Disappointing trading news was responsible for an 11p loss in Trusthouse Forte at 146p, 2p off Baker Perkins at 78p, 3p off Henlys at 63p, 11p off Renold at 54p and 2p off Triplex 32p.

of 32p.

Oils clearly benefited from the talk of a cutback in Sandi production with buyers pushing prices steadily higher across the board. BP railied 6p to 318p with the new a sanilar amount higher at 46p and the HMC new closing at 32p. HMG new closing at 32p

Shell rose 8p to 356p, Ultramar 5p to 453p, Lasmo 2p to 559p, Tricentrol 4p to 256p and Berkeley Exploration 2p to 345p. Among the North Sea issues to come under scrutiny issues to come under scrutiny was Clyde Petroleum, 19p

was Clyde Petroleum, 199 higher at 185p.
Equity turnover on June 24 was £123.701m (15,351 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Racal, Plessey, Associated Communications, BP new, BP HMG and Trusthouse Forte.

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Traded Options: The activity in the oil market boiled over with calls for BP accounting for 223 from a total of 1,894 contracts, including 436 puts. Traditional options: Declara-tion day saw only minimal new business, although calls were produced in Shackleton Petro-leum on 6p. Rothmans Int on 61p and FAFC on 31p.

Vickers da

Costa plans

da Costa is holding discussions with some City institutions that might provide financial back-

ing for the management to buy out the company's existing

Plans for a buyout are still at an early stage, a spokesman for Vickers da Costa's adviser, Baring Brothers, said yesterday. An acceptable price for the shares, held by about 70 shareholders, has yet to be calculated. Shareholders have been informed of the company's

to March 31 last, £35.25m

buyout

#### Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales Em	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div.	Pay date	total
Assoc Comm (F) Baker Perkins (F)	249(161) 116(106)	2.61(11.6) 2.03(6.45)	1.26(17.69) 2.6(14.6)	—(4.9) 3(4.35)	17/8	· 1.58(8.0) 5.1(6.45)
A. G. Barr. (I)	13,9(12.4)	0.97(0.95)	12.16(11.18)	1.2(1.2)	14/8	(4.88)
Bernett & H (F)	98(85.11)	12.4(7.31) 0.84(0.88)	113(89.6) 2.98(3.13)	6.4(4.5) 1.5(1.45)	7/8	11.25((8) 2.45(2.3)
Elec & Gen Inv (F) . Electracomps (F)	65.8(57.3)	14.56(13)	38.1(35.69)	5.5(5.2)		9.75(8.75)
Executex Clothes (F)	2.78(1.67)	0.055(0.255)	2.44(9.06)	1.1(1.1)	E.	1.85(1.85)
Henlys (I)	96.8(95.1)	0.66*(0.43)	<b>—(1.3)</b>	3.0(3.0)	7/8	<b>—(6.0)</b>
Humphries (F) J & H B Jackson (I)	12.2(11.3)	0.93(1.04) 1.78(1.82)	11.6(8.6) 3.55(3.63)	0.7(0.7)	17/8	—(1.55)
Jatel (F)	-(-)	0.05(0,06*)	0.62(4.28*)	4(4)	28/7	4(4)
Lon & Assoc Inv (F)	_(_)	0.33(0.05*)	0.93(0.72)	1.4(1.4)		—(—) —(3.85)
Lookers (I) Petbow (E)	35.2(36.9) 14.26(15)	0.4(0.4) 0.94*(0.89*)	4.3(4.0) 3.3*(11.3*)	_( <del>_</del> )	$\equiv$	-(1.5)
Plessey (F)	845(751)	84.5(60.1)	22.5(16.7)	4.41(4.01)	2/1 .	7.63(6.94)
Rediand (F)	515.7(495)	46.7(57.2)	15.9(20.9)	4.67(4)		7.34(6.67) 2(8)
Renold (F). Scapa Group (F)	127(123.3) 83.6(78.6)	2.94(6.22) ··· 9.28(8.29)	2.9(7.9) 16.4(15.9)	—(5.2) 3.7(3.7)	=	6.55(6.55)
Shaw Carpets (F)	36.2(34.4)	0,45(1.05)	1.5(4.8)	1.5(1.5)	14/8	2.0(2.0)
Triplex Found (F)	34.1(41.7)	1.3*(1.87)	<b>—(18.3)</b>	1.0(3.6)	7/8	1.0(5.44)
Trusthouse (I) Utd Guarantee (I)	364(359) 8.14(6.31)	14(19.3) 0.06*(0.05)		1.5(1.5) —(0.23)	1/10	-(6.0) -(0.5)
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Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pretax and earnings are net. \*== Loss.

#### Discount market

Indices

The authorities did not intervene in the discount market yesterday. Bids for secured money were indicated in the range of 91 per cent to 10 per cent at afternoon rates eased a little, and a quiet finish found books being ruled off within bounds of 9½ per

#### Foreign exchange report

It was another good day for commercial selling out of Switter the dollar on foreign exchanges. 1 and, and, later in the day, from Mr Paul Volcker's call for the Chicago as the current of the contract of the imposition of reserve requirepoint. was cited by dealers as reasons for the dollar's fresh advance.

Sterling closed with a loss of 21 cents to \$1.9550 while the effective exchange rate index fell another 0.9 to 94.7. The pound strengthened briefly on a report that the Saudi Arabians had decided to train oil production, but dealers reported further

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land, and, later in the day, from Chicago as the corrency dropped

German marks fell from 2.3757 to 2.3885, while French frame, still unsettled by political event dropped from 5.6800 to 5.7375. Swiss francs firmed from 2.0820 to 2.0820 as operators continued to switch funds out of the Breach franc. The Japanese

Other:

Markets

#### Sterling: Spot and Forward

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	June 25	June 25	1 month	3 months	
York	\$1.9480-9740	\$1:9545-9555	1.10-1.20c disc	2.80-2.90c disc	
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#### **Euro-\$Deposits**

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Severeigus (new): \$112-113 (157.25-58.25).

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#### Wall Street

US commodities

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Humphries Holdings: Turnover for year to March 31, 1991, £12.2m (£11.38m). Pretax profits: £931,000 (£1.04m). No ordinary payments (same).

Pethow Holdings: Turnover for year to March 31, 1981, £14.26m (£15m). Pretax loss rose from £898,000 to £948,000. No ordinary dividend, against 2.14p gross last

Triplex Foundries Group: In the year to March 31 last, Triplex tumbled from pretax profits of £1.87m to a pretax loss of £1.3m. Turnover fell from £41.76m to £34.19m. Total dividend, gross, is being cut from 7.77p to 1.42p. Shaw Carpets: Pretax profits were more than belved, to £465,000 in the year to May 1, 1981, against £1.05m last time. Sales were up from £34.49m to £36.21m. Total dividend unchanged at 2.85p gross.

United Guarantee (Holdings) in not paying an interim dividend, compared with 0.33p gross last year. The group suffered a pretax loss of £53,800 in the half-year to March 31, against a profit of £56,400, Turnover rose from £5.31m to £8.14m.

A. G. Batr: Turnover for half-year to April 25, 1981, £13.96m (£12.42m). Pretax profits: £975,000 (£950,000). Interim payment unchanged.

New York, June 25.—The stock market closed slightly lower after trading gin a narrow range all day.

The Bow Jones industrial average fell 2.56 points to finish at 196.77. Declines led advances by about 780 to 700 and volume fell to about 44,000,000 shares from 46,650,000.

Bankamerica closed at 257 off \$. Bendix Corp was 634 up 12. Connecticut General Mortgage & Realty was up ½ at 37½. Trustees rejected a tender offer of \$33 a stare from a British National Coal Board unit.

Standard Oil of California rosa to 371, Exxon 1 to 351 and Union Oil of California one to 35. Superior Oil increased 43 to 1863, Standard of Indiana 11 to 553 and Shell Oil 11 to 45. Diamond Shamrock was up 21

Most stockbrokers are run as partnerships, but Vickers da Costa has been a public unquoted company for several years. Its chairman is Sir Kenneth Berrill, who also heads the Government's think tank.

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#### M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited 27/28 Lovat Lane London EC3R 8EB Telephone 01-621 1212 The Over-the-Counter Market

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334	244	Robert Jenkins	314	_	31.3	10.0	_	-
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# Strong advance maintained

1980/81 PRELIMINARY RESULTS

 Group sales increased to £844.5 million

Pretax profit up by 40.7%
Record £1,223 million orders
Earnings per share up by 34.9%

The Plessey Company Limited An extract from the 1980/81 preliminary results

Figures in £000s	53 weeks ended April 3 1981	52 weeks ended March 28 1980
Sales	844,500	751,000
Profit before taxation	84,537	60,099
Earnings before extraordinary items	53,945	39,630
Earnings after extraordinary items	52,379	34,904
Dividend (pence per share)	7.631p	6.938p
Earnings per share before extraordinary items (pence)	22.53p	16.70p
Earnings per share after extraordinary items (pence)	21.88p	14.71p

The Corrent Cost Profit and Loss Account shows a substantial increase in Earnings before Extraordinary Items from £11.2 million to £25.3 million representing a dividend cover of 1.37 times. The recommended final dividend of 4.411 pence per share payable on January 2, 1982 to shareholders on the register on November 13, 1981 if approved, together with the interim dividend already declared, will amount to 7.631 pence per share for the year, compared with 6.938 pence per

share in the previous year.

The Company's full Report and Accounts will be posted to shareholders on August 10, 1981. The Annual General Meeting will be held on September 4, 1981 at 12 noon at Millbank Tower, Millbank,



Operating internationally in 130 countries

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This advertisement has been issued by British Sugar Corporation Limited

I SEE THAT
LESS THAN 3%
HAVE ACCEPTED
BERISFORD
SHARES:\*

YES, AND THOSE WHO HAVE
SOLD FOR CASH WILL HAVE TO
LOOK A LONG WAY TO FIND ANOTHER
SHARE YIELDING ALMOST TWICE THE
MARKET AVERAGE IN A COMPANY
WITH A RECORD
LIKE BRITISH SUGAR.

\*Acceptances in respect of 3.15% of British Sugar shares announced by Berisford on 16 June, 1981 have since been reduced by revocations in respect of 227,544 shares (0.38%).

# No wonder British Sugar shareholders are rejecting the Berisford bid!

Berisford have not claimed any significant progress during the last week in their attempt to take over your company. Indeed growing numbers of shareholders who had accepted their offer are now exercising their right to revoke those acceptances. Leading institutional investors are on record as opposing the bid. They want British Sugar to remain independent.

Now Berisford are becoming desperate, and trying to stampede shareholders with alarmist threats about the share price if the bid fails.

Do not be alarmed by Berisford claiming that at least 60 per cent. of British Sugar's shares could be put on the market which could result in a fall in the share price. We reiterate:

in the opinion of our financial advisers, J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited, the Government's holding could be placed without upsetting the market in British Sugar shares. Is it likely that Berisford would dispose of their shareholding in such a way as to depress the share price unnecessarily when their own commercial interest would lie in keeping it high and realising the maximum price?

British Sugar shares are still fundamentally undervalued and do not reflect the worth of the business.

Do not be pressurised by Berisford, their bankers or brokers into believing that your last chance to accept their offer is 3 p.m. on July 1. The Panel on Takeovers and Mergers have required Berisford to announce that you would still have 14 days after July 1 to accept if the offer went

unconditional.

If you have accepted the bid we would urge you to withdraw your acceptance by completing the form of revocation already sent to you and sending it to J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited. If you have not accepted the bid we again ask you to Stand firm and take no action

REJECT THE BID



THE RECORD SPEAKS FOR ITSELF

The publication of this advertisement has been approved by a duly authorised committee of the Board of British Sugar Corporation Limited. Each Director has taken all reasonable care to ensure that both the facts stated and the opinions expressed herein are fair and accurate. Each Director of British Sugar Corporation Limited accepts responsibility accordingly.

#### When a confession is inadmissible

Regina v Brophy. Before Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Keith of Kinkel and Lord Roskill [Speeches delivered June 25]

Where a trial judge in Northern Ireland rejected at "the trial within the trial" (the voir dire) all admissions made to the police as inadmissible evidence because he was not satisfied that they had not been obtained by police; ill-treatment, but went on to convict the defendant of belonging to the IRA (because he admitted that during the voir dire) the House of Lords held that as IRA membership was relevant to the issue of whether the police had obtained the confessions by ill-treatment, then that evidence should also have been held inadmissible. "The right of the accused to give evidence at the voir dire without affecting his right to remain silent at the substantive trial is absolute."

Their Lordships were giving obtained by police; ill-treatment,

Their Lordships were giving their reasons for dismissing an appeal by the Crown from the Court of Criminal Appeal in Northern Ireland (Lord Lowry, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Gibson and Mr Justice MacDerman) Gibson and Mr Justice MacDermott) on March 27, 1981, which had allowed an appeal by Edward Manning Brophy, now 39, of Ardmonagh Gardens, Belfast, from his conviction by Mr Justice Kelly without a jury at Belfast Crown Court and sentence to five years' detention in HM Prison, the Maze, Lisburn, for belonging to the IRA.

Mr Brophy had appealed from

Mr Brophy had appealed from that conviction on the ground that the trial judge erred in law in permitting the Crown to adduce as evidence against him part of his evidence which was given during the voir dire.

The Court of Criminal Appeal ordered his detention in custody pending the hearing of the appeal but the House of Lords ordered his release on June 4. The appellate court had certified three questions of law of general public importance,

namely:
(1) Whether in a criminal trial, after statements made by the defendant have been excluded on the pour dire as insidmissible, the prosecution may adduce in evidence at the substantive trial admissions made by the accused in the course of the voir dire which prove or tend to prove that he is

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cross-examination and other (3) Whether there is any difference in this respect between a trial with a jury and a trial by a judge alone.

Mr Ronald Appleton, QC, for Mr R. D. Carswell, QC, and Mr M. J. Higgins for the Crown; Mr Richard Ferguson, QC, and Mr Terence Mooney for Mr Brophy. All counsel were members of the Northern Ireland Bar. Ireland Bar.

LORD FRASER, with whose speech Lord Diplock, Lord Russell, Lord Keith and Lord Roskill agreed, said that the appeal raised the question whether admissions made by an accused person at a trial within a trial could be used by the Crown at the substantive trial.

The defendant was tried by The defendant was tried by Mr Justice Kelly sining without a jury under the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1978, on an indictment containing 49 counts: 12 of murder, arising ant of an explosion and fire in which 12 people died, and 36 of causing explosions or possessing explosives or firearms between September 1976 and February 1978.

The forty-ninth count was of belonging to a proscribed organization, namely the IRA. He pleaded not guilty to all the

charges.
There was no evidence against him except statements which he was alleged by the Crown to have made to the

crown to have made to the police after his arrest.

The defendant challenged the admissibility of the statements under section 8(2) of the 1978.

Act, on the ground that he had been induced to make them by being subjected to torture or inhuman or degrading treatment while in custody.

The trial judge, after a voir dire, excluded evidence of them from the substantive trial. The

first 48 counts were unsup-ported by any evidence and the accused was acquitted on those. The instant appeal related only to the last count of belonging to a proscribed organization. In his evidence in chief in the voir dire the defendant admitted that he had been an IRA member during the greater part of the period charged in count 49. His evidence could not have been made by the accused in the course of the voir dire which prove or tend to prove that he is guilty of an offence charged in the indictment.

(2) Whether any distinction in this respect should be drawn between admissions elicited by

remained a member until December 1977. When the substantive trial was resumed the Crown called the shorthand writer who had recorded the evidence at the voir dire to prove the evidence given by the defendant.

Counsel for the defendant objected but the judge over-ruled the objection. The tran-script was read, and the shorthand writer was not cross-

The judge considered that the defendant's evidence on his membership of the IRA was not relevant to the voir dire, and not essential to the question in dispute at that stage.

dispute at that stage.

He did not regard it as evidence on the admissibility of the accused's statements to the police, and, as it had been freely given during the accused's examination in chief, the judge held that it was admissible in the substantive trial.

On that evidence he was convicted only on count 49.

The Court of Appeal allowed the accused's appeal and granted leave to appeal to the House.

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The Court of Appeal held that the accused's evidence at the voir dire was capable of being relevant to the issue for decision on the voir dire.

On that they differed from the trial judge. The Lord Chief Justice, delivering the court's judgment, said that "it is only relevant evidence which is protected" [against admission at the subminitive trial].

The court were clearly right in holding that the evidence

in holding that the evidence was relevant to the issue at the noir dire. The practical question was whether the accused had been subjected to inhuman or de-

subjected to inhuman or degrading treatment. It was, in his Lordship's opinion, relevant for the defendant to show that he had been a member of the IRA for several years. If, as would be likely, the police knew or suspected that, not only would they be more hostile to him, but also they would expect him to have received instruction on how to avoid succumbing to the normal techniques of interrog-

normal techniques of interrog-ation which did not involve any physical ill-treatment.
For the Crown it was argued

For the Crown it was argued that police knowledge of membership of the IRA had not been proved so that an essential link in the chain was missing.

His Lordship could not agree. If the accused had been a member of the IRA for more than six years, as he had admitted, his Lordship thought it reasonable to assume that the

His Lordship's opinion of His Lordship's opinion of relevance also rested on a wider ground. Where evidence was given at the war dire by a defendant in answer to questions by his counsel, and without objection by counsel for the Crown, his evidence ought to be treated as relevant to the issue at the voir dire, unless it was obviously irrelevant. The accused should be evant. The accused should be given the benefit of any reasonable doubt.

Once it had been held that the accused's evidence was relevant to the issue at the voir dire, a necessary consequence was that it was not admissible at the substantive trial.

If such evidence, being relevant, were admissible at the substantive trial, in accused person would not enjoy the complete freedom that he ought to have at the voir dire to contest the admissibility of his previous statements.

It was of the first importance

It was of the first importance for the administration of justice that an accused person should feel completely free to give evidence at the voir dire of any improper methods by which a confession had been extracted from him, for he could almost never make an effective challenge of its admissibility without giving evidence himself.

If an accused person, who found himself obliged to give evidence at the voir dire in

found himself obliged to give evidence at the noir dire in order to contest a confession extracted by improper means, and whose evidence tended to show the truth of that confession, were liable to have his evidence used at the substantive trial, he would not receive a fair trial as that term was understood in all parts of the United stood in all parts of the United

Kingdom.

The right of the accused to give evidence at the voir dire without affecting his right to remain silent at the substantive trial was in his Lordship's opinion absolute and was not to be made conditional on an exercise of judicial discretion.

The Court of Appeal evidently

Enve anxious consideration to
the issues, and his Lordship had
tried to do the same. Having
done so he felt no doubt that
the defendant must be acquit-He would answer all the

certified questions in the negative and dismiss the appeal. Solicitors: DPP for England and Wales for DPP for North-ern Ireland; Simons, Muirhead & Allan for' Messrs P. J. McGrory, Belfast.

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Before Lord Justice Waller, Lord Justice Gliver and Lord Justice Fox [Judgment delivered June 25] In ascertaining chargeable

In ascertaining chargeable gains accruing to an investment company on the sale of securities that it had acquired by an arm's length transaction for a price satisfied by the allotment of a new issue of its shares, the value of the shares so allotted was that which the parties themselves chose to put on them and not the quoted market value of the shares on the value of the shares on the allotment date.

An appeal by the company,

Drayton Commercial Invest-ment Co Ltd, from a decision of Mr Justice Vinelou (The Times March 27, 1980; [1980] 1 WLR 1162) was allowed by the Court of Appeal and a determination of Appeal and a determination by special commissioners in favour of the company restored. Two assessments made on it to corporation tax on chargeable gains for accounting periods in 1972 and 1973 were reduced from £178,011 to nil and from £178,011 to nil and from

£440,000 to £349,429. The Crown was granted leave The Crown was granted leave to appeal on terms as to the company's costs.

In September 1972 the company conditionally agreed to purchase securities from Eagle Star Insurance Co Ltd for £3,937,962. That purchase mice was to be satisfied by the allotment by the company of 2,461,226 of its shares of 25p, "the issue price of each such share for the purpose of

were satisfied and the securities were satisfied and the securities were exchanged for the company's shares. The next day the Stock Exchange quoted price for the company's share had fillen to 125p. During the accounting periods ended December 1972 and December 1973.

the company disposed of some of the Eagle Star securities thereby realizing a profit. scertained by reference to the shares. In the present case the Stock Exchange price at the stock Eagle Star was given credit for the whole of that amount.

Mr Justice Vinelott concluded in favour of the Crown that the consideration given by the company was the portfolio of new shares. To test the correct
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an appeal by the Crown holding ness of that conclusion it was that the market value of the necessary to analyse the legal consideration given for the position that arose when a consideration given for the securities was the Stock Exchange price of 125p.

Mr Michael Nolan, QC, and
Mr Robert Venables for the
company, Mr C. H. McCall for

LORD JUSTICE FOX, deliver-ing the reserved judgment of the court, said that corporation tax was chargeable on a company's gains computed in accordance with the capital gains are legislation. By para-graph 4(1) of Schedule 6 the allowable deduction from a gain accruing on the disposal of an-asset was restricted to "(a) the

sideration in money or moneys worth given . . . for the acquisition of the asset . . ".

The crucial matter was to

identify the consideration given by the company for the securities. The Crown said it was the new shares. The company's case was that when a company acquired property in return for an issue

of its own shares, the value of the consideration given by the company, where the bona fides thereby realizing a profit.

In consequence they were assessed to corporation tax in respect of chargeable gains for the relevant years on the basis that the gains were to be ascertained by reference to the stock Exchange price at the consideration given by the company, where the bona fides of the transaction was not in question, was the amount of credit it gave to the vendor on account of the issue price of the states. In the present case the

necessary to analyse the legal position that arose when a company issued shares credited as fully paid up for a consideration other than cash.

Let it be supposed that A Ltd

ter it be supposed that A Ltd contracted to purchase property from X Ltd for £100,000 to be the same of 100,000 to be the same of 100,000 to same in A Ltd credited as fully paid. The value of the consideration given by A Ltd was £100,000. X Ltd had committed itself to accept an allotment of shares and A Ltd had given up its right to call on

Valuation of shares for gains tax amount or value of the con- themselves, the value of which would be considerably less in the market than £100,000. That would be a quite unreal result. 10 be.

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would be a quite unreal result.

It disregarded the commercial reality of the consideration moving from the company which, in the words of Lord-Greene in Osborne v Steel Barrel Co Ltd ([1942] 1 All ER 634), "must be at least equal in value to the par value of the shares and must be based on an honest estimate by the directors of the value of the assets acquired".

Thus the consideration given by the issuing company was not the shares themselves. In principle the present case was no different. The consideration given by the company was the benefit of an agreement by it to issue and allot the shares and to

credit them as fully paid.
The parties had agreed on a purchase price for the securities in the clearest terms. That price was to be satisfied by the issue of new shares of 160p.

redited as fully paid up.
There was no reason for giving the consideration any value other than that which the parties bonestly chose to put on it. Moreover in business terms it was realistic that the agreed value of the consideration given by the purchaser and should provide the base value of the asset for capital gains tax purposes when the purchaser subsequently disposed of the

Solicitors: Ashurst, Morris Crisp & Co; Solicitor of Inland

#### Bungalow part of taxpayer's main residence

Batey (Inspector of Taxes) v
Wakefield, in respect of the sale
of a bungalow adjacent to his
Before Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Oliver and
Lord Justice Pox

Wakefield, in respect of the sale
of a bungalow adjacent to his
house, on the ground that it
the grounds.

The taxpayer employed a
section 29 of the Finance Act, Before Lord Justice Stephen-son, Lord Justice Oliver and Lord Justice Pox

Judgment delivered June 22]
A detached bungalow built in the grounds of a taxpayer's home for occupation by a caretaker/housekeeper formed part of the taxpayer's dwelling house and the gain accruing when it was sold was accordingly exempt from capital gains ax

The Court of Appeal unmi-mously dismissed an appeal by the Crown from a decision of Mr Justice Browne-Wilkinson holding that general com-missioners were entitled to discharge an assessment for 1973-74 of £11,895 on the taxpayer, Mr Trevor Stanley himself and his family on about

Leave to appeal was refused.

Section 29(1) of the Finance
Act, 1965, provides exemption
from tax in respect of any gain
accraing to an individual so far
as attributable to the disposal of "(a) a dwelling-house or part of a dwelling-house which is, or has at any time in his period of ownership been, his only or main residence..."

Mr I. B. Glick for the Crown,

Mr John Tallon for the taxpayer. LORD JUSTICE FOX and that in 1959 the taxpayer had a house called Paddocks built for

The taxpayer employed a pardener/caretaker and his wife to live rent free in the bungalow in return for part-time domestic

In 1974 the taxpayer no longer needed a caretaker and sold the bungalow for £18,000. It was agreed that the sale threw up a gain of £11,895. The Crown argued that the bungalow was a separate dwell-

ing from the faxpayer's own residence: it was a separate house occupied by a separate family and could not form part of the taxpayer's dwelling house for section 29 purposes. That argument was unaccept-able. A dwelling house or residence could be comprised of

several buildings not physically joined, for example, a house having a separate garage. It was a question of fact for the commissioners and there was no reason to say that they had misdirected themselves in law on the facts.
Lord Justice Stephenson and

Lord Justice Oliver agreed. Solicitors: Solicitor of Inland Revenue: Beachcroft, Hyman

Probate correction The Non-Contentious Fees Order 1981 (SI 1981 No 861) provides for a flat fee of 440 in certain cases and not £10 as stated yesterday.

In all cases in which an Inland Revenue Account is not required, and not those under £10,000 as stated yesterday, the fact that such account is not required should be

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#### To belt up or not is the question

In the long debate about whether seat belt wearing should be made compulsory, the contention that belts save lives and serious injuries has gone largely unchallenged, even by those arguing most fervently that the matter should be left to individual choice.

Recently, however, the opponents

Recently, however, the opponents of compulsion have acquired what of compulsion have acquired what they regard as powerful new ammunition in the shape of a paper by Dr John Adams, a geographer at University College London, which strongly suggests that seat belt legislation has failed.

Dr Adams sets out figures showing that road deaths have fallen more sharply in countries without seat belt laws than in countries where compulsion has been introduced. Between 1972 and 1978, he finds, road deaths fell by an average

finds, road deaths fell by an average of 17 per cent in 13 countries with laws and 25 per cent in four countries without.

In explanation, Dr Adams advances the hypothesis, though without supporting evidence, that "measures to protect car occupants from bad driving encourages bad driving". In other words, belted drivers, feeling more secure, drive less safely.

Supporters of seat belt legislation

have been quick to respond to Dr Adams. They have picked factual errors in his paper and questioned his methods. According to the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents: "He has exhibited, at best, a layman's understanding of the citators."

Where Dr Adams' comparison may be misleading is that it is based on total road casualty figures, whereas seat belt wearing only applies to one class of road user, the car occupant. Belts have no released to the car occupant. evance to motor cycle riders, cyclists or pedestrians who in Britain account for more than half

of road deaths. Secondly, the 25 per cent drop in casualties in countries without casualties in countries without compulsion is an average figure derived from the experience of Britain, Italy, the United States and Japan. Of those, by far the biggest fall was in Japan, 55 per cent between 1970 and 1978. Take away Japan, which may be regarded as an exceptional case, and the comparison is far less convincing.

Dr Adams' thesis is more difficult to contest where he compares expectations of casualty reductions with the actual results. He quotes. Swedish evidence that wearing belts reduces chances of fatal injury by about 83 per cent for drivers and 80 per cent for front seat passengers.

Taking the wearing rates before and after the introduction of the Swedish seat belt law in January, 1975, Dr Adams maintains that it should have resulted, all other influences remaining constant, in a reduction of occupant deaths of at least 57 per cent and in total road deaths of at least 28 per cent. In fact, the reduction was much smaller.

In its attempt to refute the Adams thesis, RoSPA takes the casualty figures for car drivers, the category likely to be most affected by seat belt wearing, relates them to the volume of traffic and finds that in eight countries studied the farality rate per 1,000 million car kilometers again formally lower after the was significantly lower after the introduction of the seat belt law.

RoSPA is forced to admit, however, that it is impossible to attribute that saving of life exclusively to seat belt wearing and so points up a further difficulty, of isolating one influence on the casualty rate from all the others. Many seat belt laws were introduced in the mid-1970s, when the energy in the mid-1970s, when the energy crisis was helping to reduce the casualty figures.

Dr Adams' hypothesis that wearing belts encourages bad driving is hard to prove one way or the other. No clear evidence exists, though research in Canada and Australia suggests that drivers who conform to the seat belt law drive better than those who break the law.

RosPA says the corollary of Dr Adams' theory is that seat belt legislation, by encouraging people to drive badly, increases the risk to other road users and particularly to pedestrians. But it looks at the figures for eight countries and finds that with one exception, Spain, pedestrian deaths were lower after seat belt wearing became compulsory.

In challenging what had become orthodoxy, Dr Adams has, if nothing else, forced a fresh look at the evidence. I still feel that I am less likely to go through a windscreen if I am wearing a belt and will therefore continue to do so and will therefore continue to do so.



E for economy: the Citroen Visa

#### Road Test: Citroen Visa Super E

Mirror, mirror, on the wall, which-car is the most economical of them all? For the motorist, suffering yet another increase in petrol prices, it is all to the good that manufacturers are competing furiously to squeeze more miles from the gallon. There have been impressive results and the indications are that in a few years the 60 mpg car could be common-place.

Meanwhile picking through the claims and counter claims is not always easy. The best thing is to keep a firm eye on the only independent yardstick, that provided by the Government's consumption tests. There are there are which tests. There are three: one which simulates town driving and steady speed figures taken at 56 mph and 75 mph.

No model comes out top on all bree tests, which allows several

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claiments to the title of the most economical car sold in Britain. The best figure for town driving belongs to two Renaults, the 4 GTL and 5 TL, each returning 44.8 mpg. The Metro HLE, at its launch last October, headed the field in the other categories, with 58.3 mpg at 56 mph and 41.7 mpg at 75 mph. Now comes a revised Super E (for economy) version of the Citroen Visa which on the 75 mph test gives 42.8 mpg.

The Super E's other official returns, 40.4 mpg in town and 55.4 mpg at 56 mph, are also excellent, if a little below the best in each case. In practice, most drivers should not drop below 40 mpg, while driven fairly gently on the open road the car should average 50 mpg or better. To make the Super E more economical, Citroen has reduced the power ouput of the 1124 cr engine from 57 bhp to 50, increased torque and used a higher compression ratio. The key to the outstanding steady 75 mph return is the gearing:

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the top gear speed of 19 mph per 1,000 rpm is unusually high for a small car and means that the engine

small car and means that the engine is working less hard.

In the last resort, fuel economy is determined by driving technique and Citroen has provided a useful aid on the Super E which it calls the Econoscope. Two small lights on the dashboard, the first yellow, the second amber, come on to warn the driver to ease off the throttle or change to a more suitable gear. The ideal is to drive in such a way that deal is to drive in such a way that

both lights stay out.

The system works through a valve which registers the pressure in the inlet manifold as the petrol-air mixture is conveyed from the carburettor to the cylinder. It is simple and cheap and should benefit even the most practised economy driver.

With the lower power output

performance is down, though not dramatically. The 0 to 60 mph acceleration time of less than 17 seconds is still good for the class, while the extra torque helps flexibility. The top speed of 87 mph, together with the high gearing,

together with the high gearing, means quiet and unfussed motorway cruising.

The car is easy and enjoyable to drive, thanks to light, accurate steering and a smooth gearchange. The soft, all-independent suspension produces a characteristic Citroen mixture of bodyroll on corners, controllable understeer and superbroadholding. The ride is as good as any on a small car and the seats are softly comfortable, though some people may prefer firmer support to the back.

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Just over 12 feet long, the Visa is ideal for tight parking spaces even if the bonnet slopes too sharply for the front to be seen from the driving

seat. There are four passenger doors, and a tailgate, and the rear-seat will take two adults with plenty of headroom. The tailgate stops well short of floor level, leaving a high sill, but boot space is good and can be greatly expanded by folding down the back sear

be greatly expanded by folding down the back seat.

Ar £3.395 the Super E has a competitive price to go with its low fuel consumption. On the cost of servicing and parts, however, British rivals such as the Metro and Fiesta may have the edge; while for insurance the Visa is rated group three and most versions of the Metro and Fiesta group one or two.

#### High speed Capri

A 130 mph version of the Ford Capri, the fastest production car made by Ford in Europe, goes on sale in Britain next week. It is powered by the German 2.8 litre V6 engine, fuel injected and developing 160 bhp, which is used in the top Granada models.

Though built in West Germany, the car was developed by Ford's special vehicle engineering group at Dunton, in Essex. To cater for the increased performance, the 2.8 Injection, as the model is called, has been fitted with ventilated front disc brakes, gas-filled shock absorbers, alloy road wheels and low profile tyres.

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The suspension has higher spring rates and the anti-roll bars are bigger. Power-assisted steering and a four-speed gearbox are standard: automatic transmission is not available. The car costs £7,995 and becomes the most expensive Capri model. The three litre Capris are to continue, at least for the time being.

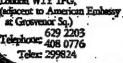
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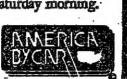
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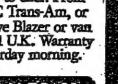
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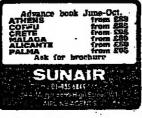
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Jones, Bill Threlfall and Richard Evans. More on BBC 1 at 6.20. The live transmission

6.40 Open University: The Nature of Chemistry; 7.05 Space-Time Geometry; 7.30 Database; management system. 11.00 Play School; Same as BBC 1, 4.20 (Clouds). Closedown at

11.25. 2.00 Wimbledon 81: Live trans-

Championships, now in their fifth day. Harry Carpenter keeps us up to date on the results so far. Unbroken cover-

age until 7.50. There are

9.30 The Northwest: Mountains

to the Sea. Canadian plant and animal life.

9.58 For Schools: Sex roles: 10.15 French lesson; 10.38 Historical fieldwork; 11.02

Slimbridge Wildlife Trust; 11.14

Reading, with Lenny the Lion; 11.26 Maths magazine; 11.43 Earing (for the deat). 12.00 The Magic Balk The Story of the Comic Book; 12.10 Once

Upon a Time: The story of Brer Rabbit's Children.

12.30 Super Savers: Taking the risk element out of buying second-hand goods.

1.00 News from ITN; 1.20

1.30 Take the High Road; Scottish estate serial. A sur-prise for Brian Blair when he applies for the sawmill job.

2.00 Houseparty: How to make your home a nicer place to live

2.25 Best Sellers: Beggarman,

Thief. Part 2 of this family saga

starring Jean Simmons and Glenn Ford. Terrorism plan at the Cannes Film Festival (r).

4.15 Watch It! Road Runner cartoon; 4.20 The Adventures of Black Beauty; Will Dr Gordon (William Lucas) and the small-holders buy Parsons Field?; 4.45 Get it Together: Pop music show. With Modern Romance, After the Fire, XTC and Richte Close and Band.

Thames area news.

BBC 2

Thames

Regions

with Mario Thomas as pregnant but unmarried

who strikes up a friendsl

with strikes up a friendship with a young nim-maker who suggests a marriage of con-venience. She would gain a father for her child; he would avoid being called-up to the Army. Directed by George Bloomfield. Ends at 12.20.

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: BBC CYMRU/WALES 1.6 pm-1.30 Closedown.1.301.145 Bys a Bawd. 1.55-4.20 Tennis
and Golf. 5.55-5.25 Gari Gylifer. 5.255.35 Sami Sherdun, 5.45-6.15 Wales
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Anne Stallybrass: she plays the divorcee in the comedy serial Misfits (ITV, 8.30pm)

 THE VANISHING COUNTRYSIDE (BBC 2, 8,25) is a timely attempt to establish where the balance lies between the production of what pleases our stomach and the salvation of what enchants our eye. It's the old food v beauty battle which lies at the heart of the Wildlife and Countryside Bill now before Parliament — itself now before Paritament — Itself the cause of much battling between peers and between MPs. This Newsweek investigation is set against some pretty alarming statistics; half

of our ancient woodlands have been felled in the past 30 years, and a quarter of our hedges have been grubbed up.

• As a stomach-churning

spectacle TROLL WALL — THI VERTICAL MILE (BBC 2, 9.30) VERTICAL MILE (BBL 2, 3.34 takes some beating. And once again, the question arises: should we encourage the foolbardiness of mountain climbers by publicizing them? The counter argument is

The counter argument is implicitly presented in tonight's film: as Man and Nature are always in conflict anyway, Man must know how to keep one step ahead of his old adversary.

© Radio 4's long-running Rattigan season, which continues today with THE BROWNING VERSION (3.02) is a constant reminder of what a BROWNING VERSION (3.02) is a constant reminder of what a prolific playwright Rattigan was. And what a variable one. Could the man who penned the lamentable Cause Célèbre really be the same who penned the marvellous The Browning Version? I don't think he ever

wrote anything better than the story of the pedant Crocker-Harris, his faithless wife and the secondhand copy of The Agamenmon. It is epic tragedy in miniature. This afternoon, Nigel Stock plays the Himmler of the Lower Fifth, and Barbara Jefford his despicable wife.

Today on Radio 3 (12.05 and 1.05) further illustrations of the benefits that can flow from West meeting East. The BBC West meeting has a the base So, playing in Japan, performs two Stravinsky works, The Firebird and Scenes de ballet, plus Tippett's Concerto for double string orchestra.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: †STEREO; \* BLACK AND WHITE: (r) REPEAT.

# **Broadcasting Guide**

Edited by Peter Davalle

TELEVISION

begins on BBC 2 at 2.00, and there are highlights from the 6.40 Open University: Computers — File Processing, 7.05 A Portrait of Summer School; day's most important matches tonight at 10.00, also on BBC 2. 4.20 Play School: Peggy Blake-ley's story Clouds, Also on BBC 2, at 11.00 zm; 4.45 The Space Sentinels: Cartoon series. The 7.30 Graduates for Growth. 10.15 For Schools, Colleges: Capricorn Game: part 7. Closehuman race gets some help in the shape of three teenagers from another planet (r). 11.25 You and Me: For the tiny tots. Feel and Guess! 11.40 For Schools, Colleges: Ioday and Tomorrow. Elec-tronic communication, and

5.05 The Best of Horses Galore: First of six compilations about horses and ponies, first seen in 1977, 1978 and 1979. With Susan King. She visits Wales to meet the 1977 holders of the Prince Philip Cup — the Banwen Pony Club; 5.35 Paddington: story of the little bear.

5.40 News: with Kenneth Ken-dall: 5.55 Reporting England. Regional news magazine. 620 Tennis and Athletics: The Bislett Games, from Oslo. Both Steve Overt and Sebastian Coe are scheduled to run. Further coverage at 8.50. Also, highlights from today's play at Wimbledon.

Pittencrieff Park, Dumfermline, in Scotland. A home team do battle with teams from Cumbernauld and Glenrothes. The winners go to Meiringen in Switzerland. There's a special version of Tossing the Caber and Throwing the Hammer.

8.50 International Athletics: Back to the Bislett Games in Oslo. The commencations are Oslo. The commentators are David Coleman and Ron Picker-

3.00 It's a Knockout: From

9.00 News: with Richard Baker: 9,25 Knots Landing: Abby sets out to seduce Richard, and Diana, the daughter of Sid and Karen, is trying to cope with the problems of sexual develop-

10.15 Public School: Part 8 of this series about life in Radley College. The coach is getting worried as the National Schools Ragatta approaches. He feels his crew isn't doing enough (r). 10.45 News beadlines. And

10.50 Film: Jenny (1969) Drama,

recorded highlights, also on BBC 2, tonight at 10.00.
7.50 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
8.00 Gardeners' World: Tonight's edition comes from Coldingham, Eyemouth, where Jim Jermyn's nursery boasts a garden full of sipines, set Frank Muir, Emily Richard and concrete troughs. We learn why making a trough and creating the ideal conditions for alpines need not be expensive.
8.25 The Vanishing Country-side: Can we go on allowing our matural heritage to be gobbled up for farming purposes? A report for Newsweek by David Jessel (See Personal Choice)—
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9.30 Troll Wall - The Vertical Mile: Part one of award-winning

Choice) 10.00 Wimbledon 81: Highlights from today's play. 10.45 Newsnight: Bulletins and analysis of the main news stories of the day. Linda Alexander is the news reader. 11.30 The Outer Limits': The Inheritors. Part one of a science-fiction yarn about some soldiers who, though dying, miraculously recover, develop super brains, and then vanish. With Robert Duvall, Steve that Ends at 17.75 Ihnat, Ends at 12.25.

Templar story, starring lan Oglivy. Tonight, he sets out to unmask the head of an organization which calls itself the Murder Cartel. With Britt Ekland and Helmut Berger (r). 8.30 Misfits: Comedy series about two rootless men (Kevin Lloyd, Enn Reitel) and the divorcee (Anne Stallybrass) who gives them shelter. Tonight a cool reception awaits the men at the local public house. 3.00 Get Lost! Comedy thriller about two teachers (Bridget Turner, Alun Armstrong) tur-ned amateur detectives. On the trail of two missing husbands, they visit Filey and solve the riddle of the evil-looking yellow

10.00 News Irom 1410-10.30 International Sports Spe-cial: The WBA Light-Middle-weight Championship fight Avail Kalule (the 10.00 News from ITN. between Ayub Kalule (the champion) and Sugar Ray Leonard. From the Astrodome, Houston. Texas. Also, the WBA Welterweight Championship-fight between Tommy Hearns (champion) and Pablo Baez. There is also athletics coverage:

Norway.

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6.00 am News. 6.10 Parining Today. 6.30 Today. 8.35 Yesterday in Parlia 9.00 News. 9.05 Desert Island Discs (Giuseppe di Stefano) (r). † 1.45 Feedback (Tom Vernon). 0.00 News.

10.00 News.
10.02 International Assignment.
10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Morning Story: Memorial (by Graham Birnie).

Graham Eirnie).
11.00 News.
11.05 Children of The Dead End (r).
11.50 Bird of the Week (linner, redooll). 12.00 News.
12.02pm You and Yours.
12.27 My Music.† .40 The Archers. 2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour. Includes advice for people who sleep badly, and Phil Drabble among the herons.
3.00 News.

3.02 Afternoon Theatre. The Browning Version (see Personal Choice).
4.05 Down the Garden Path.
4.15 In the Gaslight's Clow.
4.45 Story Time: † Illyrean Spring (part 3).
5.00 PM.

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6.00 News.
6.30 Going Pinces.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Pick of the Week.
8.10 Profile (Shimon Peres).
8.30 Any Questions? with Robert
Kee, Dick Taverne, Patricia Hewitt,
Dominic Le Foe. Kee, Jack I averte, Fattu Dominic Le Foe. 9.15 Letter from America. 9.30 Kaleidoscope. 10.00 The World Tonight. 10.35 Week Ending †

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11.00 A Book at Bedtime: My
Brother Tom.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
11.45 John Ebdon.
12.00 View

VHF 9.35 mg For Schools. 10.30-10.45 Listen with Mother. 11.00-11.40 For Schools. 2.00-2.20 For Schools. 11.00-12.00 Study on 4. Alternative

6.55 nm Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morning concert: Benedetto
Marcello, Scheidt, Tippett, Pezel,
Vivaldi, records) Vivaldi; records; 2.00 News. 8.05 Morning concert (commued): Strauss, Haydn, Schumann, Saint-Saens, Strauss.† 9.00 News.

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers: Roy Harris and Virgil Thomson; 9.05 This week's composers key Harris and Virgil Thomson; records, † 10.00 Choral Music of Bach and Mendelssohn recital; † 10.30 Berne String Quartet recital; Haydn, Barrok, Beethoven.† † 12.05 BBC Symphony Orchestra in the Far East concert, part 1; Stravinsky, Tippett (see Personal Choice). †

Stravinsky, 1 upper 1.00 pm News.
1.05 pm News.
1.05 Concert, part 2: Bartok,
Stravinsky,†
2.10 Mikhail Plemyav piano recital:
Bach, Beethoven, Prokoficy.†
3.40 BEC Scottish Symphony
Orchestra concert: Williamson's

John Dunn.† 2.00 Wimbledon 81.
7.00 Join Radio 2 vhf. 8.00 Friday
Night is Music Night. 9.55 Sports
Desk. 10.00 The Grumbleweds.
10.30 Fiesta! 11.00 Brian Matthew
with Round Midnight from 12.00.
1.00 am Truckers' Hour.† 2.00-5.00
You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

5.00 am As Radio 2.7.00 Mike Read.
9.00 Simon Bates. 11.00 Andy
Feebles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45
Paul Burnett. 2.30 Dave Lee Travis.
4.30 Peter Powell. 5.30 Newsbeat.
5.45 Roundiable. 7.30 Anne Nightingale. 10.00 The Friday Rock
Show.; 12.00 Close. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 2.00 pm The Ed Stewart Show. 4.00 David Hamilton.; 5.45 News. 6.00 David Symonds.; 10.00 With Radio 1. 12.00-12.05 am

World Service

2.10 Mikhail Pietmyav piano recurs.

Bach, Beethoven, Prokoficv.†

3.40 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra concert: Williamson's "Mass of Christ the King". †

4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†

6.55 Phy it Again preview.†

7.00 Third Opinion: talk by Mary Midgley.

7.00 Third Opinion: talk by Mary Orchestra, concert direct from Ripon Carhedral; part 1: Bach.†

7.30 Birdy.

8.10 Concert, part 2: Bruckner.†

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5.00 am Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogan.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.00

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Southern

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.38 Southern News and Weather, 6.00 Day by Day, 6.00 Scene South East. 6.30-7.00. University Challenge. 12.00 Southern News Extrs. 12.05 am Film: War Walfs (Juozas Budraitis). 1.50

Granada As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Granada Reports. 6.00 Granada Reports. 6.30-7.00 Doctor Down Under, 7.30-8.30 Veges, 12.00 Film: Prudepce and the Pill. 1.25 am

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As Thames except: 12.27 pm-12.30 Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 1.20-1.30 Wastward News Headlines. 6.00-7.00 Wastward Diary. 7.30-8.30 Vegas. 12.00 Faith for Life. 12.05 am Weather and Shipping Forecast. 12.06 Clos

HTV As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 HTV News, 8.00 Report West, 6.30-7.00 W.K.R.P. in Cincinnati, 7.39-8.30 Vegas, 12.00 Westher and Closedown

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Anglia As Thames except: 1,20 pm-1.30 Anglia News. 2.25 Film: For the Love of Add (Irpne Hand), 5.15-5.45 Winner Takes Al. 6.00 About Anglia, 7.00-7.30 Sale of the Century. 12.00 Film: Jigsaw John, 1.30 am Your Choice. Scottish

As Thames except: 1.20 pm Nows & Road & Wealher: 1.30-2.00 Andy's Parry. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 5.00 Scotland Today, 6.30-7.00 Ways & Means. 7.30-8.30 E) & The Boar. 12.00 Lato Call. 12.05 am Glosedown.

Yorkshire As Themes except: 1.20 pm-1.20 Calendar News. 6.70 Calendar, 6.20 Calendar Summer Sport. 7.30-8.30 Hawall Five-0. 12.00 in Concert: Gillan. 12.30 am Closedown.

Ulster As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Lunchlime, 4.13-4.15 Ulster News. 5.00 Good Evening Ulster, 5.20 Westcome Back Kolter, 7.30-8.30 Vogaz. 12.00 wilness. 12.05 am Bedlime.

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# MPs seek divorce BBC set to law reform to protect children sales boom

laws to put the needs of children before those of the separating marriage partners.
Mr Leo Abse, Labour MP for

Pontypool, whose private mem-ber's Bill led to simpler divorces as the 1969 Divorce Reform Act, said that the way the Act had been applied meant that children had become the real victims of divorce, lost in battle for possessions and

maintenance, He is principal sponsor of an early day motion, signed by more than 100 MPs, calling for a committee of inquiry to bring forward firm proposals to chauge the law and to establish local conciliation services to make divorces more amicable.

The aim was to prevent children being treated as "weapons in a fight, as pawns, spies and as possessions to be won or lost when the final decree is granted", Mr Abse

said. Custody and maintenance for the children should be the first issue to be decided in divorces, not the last, he said. Changes in the provision of maintenance for wives might well be needed to go with that. A former wife business and nobody's business and nobody's business and nobody's business and nobody's business." Mr. Abse said. The not the last, he said. Changes in the provision of maintenance for wives might well be needed to go with that. A former wife with small children clearly committee of inquiry was needed the maximum protect needed to get some action.

More than 100 MPs have tion, but the automatic right of called for reform of the divorce a former wife to permanent maintenance was being chal-

lenged. "Many women today would regard it as demeaning to treat marriage as a meal or indeed cake ticket for life, and today the working wife becomes the

rule and not the exception." Mr Abse said that Britain had the highest divorce rate in Western Europe and that be-tween 150,000 and 200,000 children aged under 16 were affected by divorce each year. Second marriages were failing at an alarming rate, many because of the financial burden imposed by first marriages. first marriages.

The MPs were concerned with broken families rather than marriages. "Realthy divorces are as important as healthy marriages. If you allow children to be part of the brawl there is no hope of the child seeing both parents", he said.

The responsibility for a new initiative lay between the Lord Chancellor's department, the Law Commissioners the Department.

Carlisle plans massive university cuts Continued from page 1 expected that the financial pro-In a letter last month to Mr vision for engineering will be trimmed slightly in some areas, whereas student numbers are expected to remain about the

On the same day as Mr Carlisle's announcement, let-ters will go out to each uni-versity giving it details of its grant and student numbers, and giving quite specific advice on where cuts should fall, in faculties, departments and in individual subjects. A half of the total cut for the three-year period will fall in the first year,

a quarter in the second, and a quarter in the third. The UGC has no power to "instruct" universities what to do. Its advice will be offered clear that those suggestions will be open to discussion and possible amendment over the coming months, but too great the recalcitrant institution havng its grant further docked

Christopher Price, chairman of the Commons Select Committee the Commons Select Committee on Education and Science. Dr Edward Parkes, chairman of the UGC, said: "There will undoubtedly be some departures from the UGC recommendations; we are not setting out to provide a detailed blue-print for each establishment." But I would stress that the

national balance of subject pronational balance or subject pro-vision which we shall be recom-mending would be viriated if it were replaced by numerous different decisions without knowledge of the national scene." The threat is clear, and institutions that have "disinstitutions that have "dis-obeyed" earlier advice on student members have already

been penalized.

The UGC will not be giving explicit advice to universities on whether they should cease postgraduate teaching and research in some subjects, though assumptions on that will have been made in deciding what grant to give.

# tap home video

By David Hewson

Some of the BBC's most popular programmes will be available on video cassettes in High Street stores from next

August.
The corporation plans to launch its entry into the fast-growing home video market on Monday with details of an expensive advertising campaign and a list of about 20 initial

rakeaway programmes.

BBC Enterprises, the corporation's marketing arm which is handling the project, refused to give any details yesterday. But fans of Faulty Towers and The. Two Ronnies who have not yet illicitly taped their favourites at home will probably find them

at nome will propably find them among the first in the BBC's video lists.

A number of educational programmes and Mrs Barbara Woodhouse's lessons on how to being up a dog are also libely. bring up a dog are also likely to be included in Monday's

lists.
The corporation clearly sees the booming video marker as an important source of income, even if it succeeds in winning a £50 licence fee. It hopes to expand its list

of video programmes to more than 100 tirles within a year. It has been hoping to step into the market for some time but has been delayed by protracted negotiations with the emertainment unions over royalty payments.

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The BBC programmes will be available in both of the most popular cassette formats, VHS and Betamax, and, though the corporation would not quote re-tail prices yesterday, they are expected to be competitive against films and programmes from other sources which are already available. This would put the price of a three-hour programme, in the case of comedy shows at between £35 and £40.

Pre-recorded video cassette sales are expected to more than double to the £50m mark this

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Britain's fee-paying independent schools are seeking to raise half-a-million pounds from parents and supporters, to combat the latest Labour Party plan

to scrap them.

Mr Tim Devlin, director of the Independent Schools Information Service, warned parents in a speech at Bromsgrove School, near Birmingham, yesterder of the themselves on the street of terday that the attack on innave been made in decid-what grant to give.

University results, page 18 policy.

dependent education was now a major plank in Labour Party



New inquiry into Civil Service pay

in the pay system to reflect more closely salaries in private

industry, and consideration of regional variations in pay.

while changes in the pay system

of hostility in which negotiations

The voting members of the board, besides Lord Shepherd and Mr Mills, were until their resignations Professor J. R.

Crossley, of Leeds University, Mr R. E. Holland, chief general

manager of Pearl Assurance Ltd, Lady Pike, former chair-man of the Women's Royal

Viluntary Service and chairman

of the Broadcasting Complaints Commission, and Mr George Russell, chairman of Alcan

have been conducted.

Union, dissented.

Board members believe that

By David Felton, Labour Reporter

The Government is announce on Monday the form and terms of reference of an independent inquiry into future pay bargaining in the Civil Service.

The Prime Minister made that The Prime Minister made that clear yesterday after she had received the resignations from the members of the Civil Service Pay Research Unit Board. The resignations follow government indications that the unit's work is to be wound up.

The unit's board is convinced that whatever the outcome of the inquiry, a body such as the Pay Research Unit (PRU) will still be needed. The aunounce ment, which is expected to include the name of the inquiry's chairman, has been awaited for some weeks.

In his resignation letter to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Lord Shepherd, the board's chairman, said: "I very much regret that the necessity for this step has arisen. I believe an opportunity. was lost of creating a new sys-tem which would have comman-ded public credibility on the basis of proposals which you put forward last August."

The letter implies criticism of the nine Civil Service unions who were hostile to the pro-

Lynemouth Ltd and director of posed changes, which included relating civil servants' pay to performance, greater flexibility Alcan Aluminium UK Ltd.
Lord Shepherd yesterday
defended the PRU's work and said in his letter to Mrs.
Thancher that the unit had been "unfairly associated" with the defects in the pay research system as a whole. Among further modifications would probably not have pre-vented the current four-month pay dispute, they would have done much to reduce the climate

Among further modifications suggested are that economic and marker forces should be considered as well as pay comparability. The board should be given full responsibility for the pay surveys conducted by the unit and give guidance on the interpretation The annual report of the board, which supervises the operations of the PRU, suggests wide ranging improvements to the system, which were agreed by the five of the board's independent members. But Mr Leif Mills, general secretary of the Banking Insurance and Finance Union, dissented.

gathered.
The board expresses "considerable concern" at the loss of the unit. "We feel sure that whatever new system might be established, somer or later a body like the unit would have to be recreated."

The Council of Civil Service

Unions said last night that the Government had never made any attempt to offer serious negotiations on changes in the pay system. "We did not like the proposals; but the fault is with the Government for not following them up around the table", the coucil said.

#### Threat to stop Tube first test for GLC

London Underground from July 20 was threatened yesterday unless an 8 per cent pay offer to 15,000 manual workers is improved.

The National Union of Railwaymen's executive approved plans for an indefinite strike, the first unlimited stoppage since the 1926 General Strike.

While the decision leaves

almost a month for peace moves it poses the new Labour-controlled Greater London Council with its first serious industrial relations conflict. The GLC is not directly involved in negotiations, but it is responsible for financial support for the Underground, pro-jected to total between £350m and £360m over the current

Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the NUR, was quick to seize on the point yesterday, accusing Mr Kenneth Livingaccusing Mr Kenneth Living-stone, leader of the GLC, or re-neging on "understandings" which he said had been made with the union during the run-up to the local council elections.

Although the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen has not taken a decision, it is thought likely to support industrial action. However the NUR, the biggest union on the Underground, is confident that it can bring the system to a halt on its own.

London Transport maintained

A complete shutdown of the that its pay offer was broadly similar to that already accepted by London's 20,000 business by London's 20,000 businen London Transport said it found it surprising that the NUR had decided to back a strike against

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an eight per cent pay offer coupled with proposed further productivity related increases, when it had agreed to go to arbitration on British Rail's seven per cent offer seven per cent offer. Mr Weighell said that Mr Livingstone had made it clear to the union after the election that it would not consider the

Government's intended limit of six per cent on public sector rises as binding on the council Mr Livingstone later denied suggestions by Mr Weighell that he had avoided attending a meeting with the NUR. He said that the strike call had come as a surprise and that the negotiat

ing procedures had not been fully exhausted. The 8 per cent offer would mean an additional £5 a week on the lowest basic rete of £62.68. According to LT the current 40-hour rate for an train driver is £93.85, with average earnings for a 44-hour week of £142.42 a week. For a guard the rate is £73.09 with estimated average earnings of £112.86:

The strike threat comes on the eve of a meeting between the general secretary of the three rail unions which is three rail unions which is expected to discuss the decision by ASLEF leaders to press for a joint strategy of industrial action against cuts in BR ser-

#### London ambulancemen on second all out strike

By Our Labour Reporter

London's ambulancemen will prior warning of the next walk-today stage their second all out out, to give officers 16 hours 24-hour strike. Union leaders have called on the country's notice of today's stoppage.

He added, however: "Make 17,000 ambulance service members to how all wars or mistake. This still a very region of the next walk-today stage. bers to ban all work except emergency calls. The nine-man conveners'

committee representing Lon-don's 2,300 ambulancemen yesterday called on their mem-bers to stop work altogether from 7 am, just one hour-before the official 24-hour "emergencies only" action is due to begin. . London

Service yesterday immediately renewed the appeal it made before the strike in the city on June 15 for the public and doctors only to make 999 calls in cases of real emergency. Mr Bob Walton, the service's

serious situation and I want to appeal most strongly to the people of London and to doctors to think twice before ringing for an ambulance."

The London service is again hoping to rely on police and voluntary services to provide emergency cover. Together with St John Ambulance Brigade and the Red Cress, police were able to cope on June 15 with-out having to call on military ambulances standing by at three barracks in the city.
Police are also expecting to

have to provide cover in some other parts of the country, including main Scottish cities chief officer, said last night that and towns, where ambulance coucil said.

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#### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

#### Today's events

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh visit Royal Fleet Auxiliary Austin, Portland, 10.30.
The Duke of Gloucester lunches 1st Battalion. Chelsea Barracks, 11.

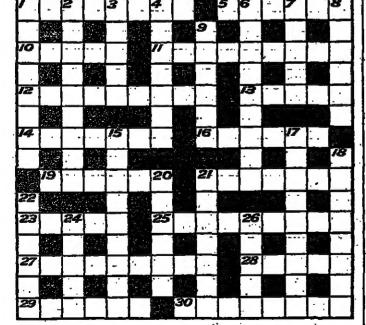
Irish Guards.

rine's Dock and (1802-1881), Charrington Print Room, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, 2-5.

Audrey Tyndail, Chester Abbey, Oxfordshire, 10 Katharine's Dock Thomas Telford, Malcolm Tucker, Museum of London, Barbican, National Gallery, 1. am-7 pm.

#### The Times Crossword No 15,562

This puzzle, used at the Chester regional final of the LANGS SUPREME Times National Crossword Championship, was solved within SUPREME Times National Crossword C 30 minutes by 4 per cent of the finalists.



1 Barrier in Oxford Street area of London (8).
5 City smoke in the West (6).
10 Bowler happy with a duck? 9 Reduction in amount raised for defence (6).
15 Gilpin's men give musical instruction (5-4).
17 Sort of fruit dieter would like to get? (9).
18 Hired ruffian? Right—held by my man in field (8).
20 Fame of true eccentric holding record (6).

11 Careless way to get into debt 11 Careiess way to get into debt
(9).

12 . and having done so,
nothing prevents ruin (9).

13 Clubs more than one goose?
But they're not geese! (5).

14 Sharp punishment, such a clue
without 4 (7).

16 More like a sure-footed one
than a siloper (6).

than a slipper (6).

19 Change partners to put things right (6).

21 Play could be this, or Journey's End (7).

23 Noah so exhausted when the animals term 3 (3 2). 23 Noan so exhausted when animals were? (3, 2).
25 Fantastic idea of editor in paper I'm reforming (4.5).
27 Soldier in Highland action?

(3, 6). 28 Conservative leader does; perhaps, reverse set of opinions (5). 29 Pour scorn on some wilder ideas (6). ldeas (6).
30 Fool as evil as religious fanatic (8).

1 Low-lying places? Horrible round end of August (4-4).
2 Rumour providing material for press (9). 3 Horses feed, as you can hear (5). 4 Place of Charles the First? Just the opposite (4-3).

Korean ceramics, Margaret Somervil, 11.30; Turner: Moun-tain, sea and sun, Audrey Wilton, 1.15, British Museum. 1.15. British Museum.

Degas: Impressionist sculptor.
Sarah Reid, Tate Gallery, 1.
Festival of flowers. Hexham
Abbey, 10 am-9 pm.

Arts Council touring exhibition.
Giacometri's Paris, Thomas Sumpter Comprehensive School, Scunthorpe, 9.30 am-3.30 pm.

La Belle Epoque, etchings and drypoints, Lumley Cazalet gallery, 24 Davies Street, Westminster, 10 am 6 pm.

aid fliers (9).

7 Whence came Roman eagle, from the start (2, 3).

8 Plx amount for Jenny? (6):

9 Reduction in amount raised for

record (6).
Amorphous, lacking head and heart—so unlucky (7).
For horizontal drinker? So buriful a remark (6).
Material por inside ship (5).
Yes—Russian rea may be found here (5).

Solution of Puzzle-No 15,561.

Poetry: Dermot Healy, 8, and traditional irish music and dancing, Irish Club, 82 Eaton Square, 8.30. Music:

Musica Sacra of London, conducted by Gregory Rose, St Paul's Church, Covent Garden, 7.30. Recital by British Song Class, directed by Michael Pilkington, Guildhall School of Music and Drama, Barbican, 1.10. Richard Stalker, piano, Martin within-Ludgate, 1.15.

Robert Colquhoun (1914-1962) t Euch Exhibition Centre

St Enoch Exhibirio Glasgow, 10 am-5 pm.

#### Emergency passports

Travellers to the following countries who are experiencing delays in the issue of passports do not need "blue book" passdelays in the issue of passports do not need "blue book " passports do not need "blue book " passports yours, but can travel on British Visitors. Passports. — Andorra, Belglum, Bermuda, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France West Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerlands, Turkey, West Berlin (air only), Yugoslavia.

The following countries say they will accept BVPs during the present dispute, although there is still no official agreement.—Antigon, Barbados, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Hongkong (passengers should carry, proof of United Kingdom residence, eg, driving licence or birth certificate), Jordan, Romania, Tunisia, South Africa, Jamaica.

United States: BVPs are valid travel documents for entry, provided they—have been stamped with a valid visa at a United States consulate, until Angust 25, 1931 when the position will be

with a valid visa at a United States consulate, until August 25, 1981, when the position will be reviewed. Because it is a temporary arrangement, those applying for BVPs at post offices will not be able to indicate the United States as their travel destination on the application form. Applicants should therefore indicate that they intend to travel to one of the other countries marked on the form (eg. Canada).

Australia: BVPs are acceptable only when you need to travel at short notice and cannot obtain a full passport. You should ask the Australian High Commission before obtaining a BVP.

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EXPIRED PASSPORTS: The following countries have agreed that passports, which expired less than five years previously and have not been cancelled, will be regarded as valid travel documents.—Antigua (no specific time limit); Australia (until Aug 31, 1981). Raphados (until Sart 20, 1981). ments.—Antigua (no specific time limit); Australia (until Aug 31, 1981); Barbados (until Sept 30, 1981; New Zealand (until Aug 31, 1981); Spain (until Aug 31, 1981); Hongkong (subject to normal immigration rules).

All these countries will review the situation again if the strike continues after the above dates.

Local Spanish consulates will issue children under the age of tight with a valid document for travel to Spain on production of

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Source : ABTA (Tel 01-637 2444).

Fashion and fantasy in modern jewelry, Arnolfini Gallery, Bristol, 11 am-8 pm.

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Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays. Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers cheques and other foreign currency business. London: FT Index fell 3.6 to

New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed 2.56 down to 996.77.

#### The papers

The Daily Mirror today criticized Mr Nott's statement on defence, which it called "a dense smokescreen around the truth." The paper said the country could not afford conventional military forces and the Trident missile. The Daily Mail calls the Trident decision a ghastly mistake. The Tomahawk cruise missile would be far more cost effective. The Sun says that the cuts would not have been necessary, had the Government insisted on ecohomies.

The Northern Echo supports Mps who have called for a reform of the divorce laws to protect children from being used as pawns between warring parents.

The Frankfurter Allgemeine said yesterday the Soviet system is incapable of making peace. The conflict with Moscow could only be made tolerable by a balance of power.

#### Classical best sellers

1. Sibelius: Symphony No 4-Ashkenazy (Decca SXDL 7517). 2. Elgar: Light of Life Groves, Royal Liverpool PO (HMV ASD3952). 3. Pavarotti — (Decca D236D2). 4. Mahler: Symphony No 9-Karajan (DG2707125).

5. Grieg: Symphony in C-Andersen/Bergen SO (Decca SXDL 7537). 6. Dinu Lipati—Last Recital (HMV RLS761). 7. Harty Orchestral Works-Thomson (Chandos ABRD1027).

#### Flights cancelled:

A strike by West Drayton air traffic controller, from 7.30 am to 2.30 pm today means that domestic, shurtle and European flights from Heathrow will be affected. The following are a few affected. The following are a tew of those cancellations: To Glasgow, 09.15 am and 4.15 pm; to Edinburgh, 9.40 am and 1.40 pm; to Belfast; 10.30 a mand 4.30 pm; to Aberdeen, 7.30 am; to Brussels, 7.45 am; to Amsterdam, 8 am. British' Airways passengers using Heathrow airport should ring 759 2525. Gatwick users should check in as normal.

#### Gardens open

Saturday and Sunday.—The foorings, Russell's Crescent, Moorings, Russell's Crescent, Horley, Surrey, rare plants, roses; plants for sale, 2-6 pm. 7 St Albans Grove, off Victoria Grove, Albans Grove, our Victoria Grove, Keusington, London, and other gardens nearby, 2.30-6.30 pm. West Garleton, Haddington, East Lothian; walled gardens, her-baceous borders, shrubs and scree garden, 2-6 pm.

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Sunday.—Cowhill Tower, Holywood, north of Dumfries; walled garden, roses, herbs, topiary animals and birds, 2-6 pm. Allangrange, Munlocky, near Inverness; shrubs, trees, and woodland plants; exhibition. of botanical paintings by Elizabeth Cameron; plants for sale, 2-5 pm. Dalgairn House, Cupar, Fife; old-fashioned flowers, threatened wild Daigairn House, Cupar, File; duc-fashioned flowers, threatened wild flowers and edible weeds, 2-6 pm. Clapper Cottage, Bondleigh, North Tawton, Devon: small garden with rockery and wild garden, 11 am-7 pm. Little North Court. Shorwell, near Newbort. Isle of Shorwell, near Newport, Isle of Wight rose garden, walled fruit Wight; rose garden, walled fruit and vegetable garden, borders and woodland; 2:30-5 pm. 17 Queen Street, Geddington, near Ketter-ing, Northamptonshire, and five other gardens nearby, 2-6 pm.

#### Auctions today

Sotheby's, Bond St: Good Continental furniture and tapestries, 11. Sotheby's, Belgravia: Cameras, viewers and optical ansusements, 11. Christie's, Ring St: Important English pictures, 16.30. Christie's, South Kensington: Printed books, 10.30; cigarette cards, postcards, Baxner prints, Stevengraphs and associated material: 2. Phillips, Blenheim St: Silver plate 11. Bonhams, Montpeller St: Fine jewels and objects of virtu, 10.30; good European porcelain, 10.30, 71EWING TODAX: Bonhams, Montpeller, St: Jewels, portrait miniatures, objects of virtu and Russian works of art, 9-10 am; English and Continental ceramics and works of art, 9-10 am; silver and plate, 2-5 pm.

#### Sporting fixtures

Cricket: Benson and Hedges Cup, quarter-final: Kent v War-wickshire (venue to be decided). Racing: Doncaster, Lingfield Park and Newcastle. Golf: European amateur team championship, St Andrews; Coral Classic, Porthcawl. Hockey: England XI v Austral-fans, Chalfont St Peter, 6.30.

#### Sport on TV BBC1: 1.55, Wimbledon; 6.20, tennis and achierics; 8.50, inter-

national athletics. BBC2: 2 and 10, Wambledon. ITV: 6.30, Thames sport: 10.30, international boxing and athletics.

#### Today's anniversaries

Parliament today Commons (9.30) : Debate on report of committee on obscenity and film censorship. Lords (11): Private Members' Bills; Indecent Displays (Control) Bill, report

#### Weather forecast

N airstream covers Britain, Forecasts from 6 am to midnight.

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(57 to 63F).

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temp 10 to 12C (50 to 54F).

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#### London

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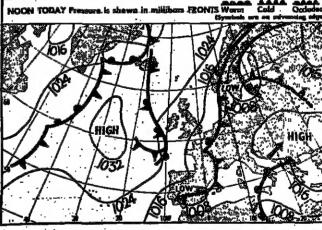
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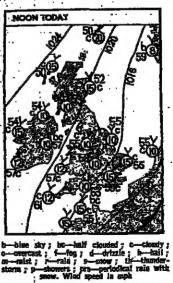
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George Morland, painter, was born in London, 1763, and William Thomson, first Baron Kelvin, scien-tist, in Belfast, 1824.